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TOWN MEETING AND ELECTION

New High School Voted With \$100,000 Appropriation. Meeting Quietest in Years With No Big Expenditures Made

The annual gathering of the citizens of Andover was held in the Town Hall on Monday afternoon for the purpose of making appropriations, to hear reports and suggestions from the various boards and committees, and to instruct its various officials in regard to work for the coming year.

The meeting was an unusually quiet one, none of the fireworks which have marked many of the meetings of late years being in evidence, and the business of the town was carried on with smoothness and speed, the warrant being gone through between 2 and 4.30 o'clock, and at least fifteen minutes before the returns of the election officers were read. The citizens showed a marked generosity in their appropriations, not a single item that had been recommended by the Finance Committee being cut, and if not all, some money was allowed for every article in the warrant.

The article relating to the expenditure of \$3500 on the River Road, took up more time in discussion than any other article in the warrant, and was finally disposed of by an appropriation of \$300 for repairs.

No opposition to the new high school building developed, and very little time

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LOCAL NEWS NOTES

COMING EVENTS

SATURDAY
3.00 p.m. Miss Myra Sharlow at Abbott Academy.
8.00 p.m. Annual Andover-Exeter Glee Club.
SUNDAY
4.00 p.m. Recital at Free church. Mr. Plat-telcher.
7.30 p.m. Special meeting at Baptist church.
TUESDAY
8.00 p.m. Free church Men's club meeting. Address by Dist. Attorney John J. Higgins.
8.00 p.m. Business Girls at Guild.
WEDNESDAY
4.45 p.m. Recital at Chapel.
FRIDAY
8.00 p.m. South church Men's club. Address by Jay B. Benton of Boston.

Andover-Exeter Musical Clubs tomorrow night.

Olin Richardson spent Sunday visiting relatives in Lexington.

James Thompson of Lewis street spent the week-end with his brother in Boston.

Clarence O'Connell of Waltham spent the week-end with his parents on Chestnut street.

Misses Louise and Marie Daly spent the week-end visiting friends at Jamaica Plain.

John Edwards of Burnham road has entered the employ of Phillips Academy as engineer.

Miss Elizabeth Hamblin of Wellesley College spent the week-end at her home on Chestnut street.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Cann have closed their house and are at the Laure in the Pines, Lakewood, N. J.

Mrs. Frank S. Hight has returned to Washington with her children, Barbara, Phyllis and Frank, Jr.

Edward O'Connell of Chestnut street has entered the employ of the Lawrence Dye Works in South Lawrence.

George Markey has returned to his home on Pearson street after spending several days with friends in Marblehead.

Peter Markey has resumed his duties in T. F. Morrissey's stable on Park street after spending last week with his sister in Salem.

The preacher at the Free church next Sunday morning will be Rev. John M. Kyle of Lowell, for several years a Presbyterian Missionary in Brazil.

Lester Towne, Tufts '16, was a member of the committee on the seventh annual Commons Club dance held in Goddard Gymnasium, Tufts College, on last Saturday evening.

John Aucterlonie of Ridge street received a painful injury to his left foot on last Monday while working in the blacksmith shop owned by Morrison & O'Connell, when a large plank fell on his foot and bruised it badly.

The regular monthly meeting of the R. C. O. A. which was to be held in the clubroom on last Monday evening was postponed until next Tuesday evening, March 14, at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present as business of importance will be transacted.

The Senior Class of Punchedard will hold a social at the home of Miss Katherine Hickey on Elm street on Friday evening. The committee in charge of the affair consists of Miss Katherine Hickey, Miss Annie Leslie and Walter Lawson.

The Hawthorne Sewing Club met at the home of Miss Marion Dearborn on Elm street on last Monday evening. Mrs. Varnum J. Smith has returned to her home in Taunton after an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. S. T. Wood of Porter road.

Many friends of George Dumont will be sorry to learn of the very serious operation which was performed on him Tuesday afternoon, when one of his legs was amputated, owing to a serious complication which had set in in the bone above the knee. He passed through the operation very successfully.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Are you going to the Musical Clubs' concert tomorrow night?

Alexander Black of Beverly spent the week-end with friends in town.

Do not forget the baked-bean supper to be held in G. A. R. hall, Saturday, March 18.

Miss Myrtle Dumont has left the employ of the Tyer Rubber Company to accept a position in Boston.

Remember that the Andover-Exeter Musical Clubs concert will be held on Saturday evening in the town hall.

Gordon E. Whitman of Pine street has entered the employ of Whitman, Ward & Lee, fish dealers, in Boston.

Alexander Dick, Jr., who has been visiting his parents on Cuba street, has returned to his home in Oberlin, Ohio.

Rev. Austin Rice of Wakefield and Rev. E. Victor Bigelow of the South church will exchange pulpits on next Sunday morning.

The Board of Selectmen met after the town meeting and organized, Harry M. Eames being chosen chairman and Walter S. Donald, secretary.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Baptist church will meet next Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, with Mrs. George Piddington, 41 School street.

The Equal Suffrage League met at the Guild House last Wednesday to sew for the Red Cross. Several of the members joined the Red Cross Society. Reports of the work for the month were given. The next meeting is to be held on April 12.

Garfield Lodge, K. of P., No. 172, held their regular meeting Monday March 6, 1916. C. C. John Swenson presiding and six applications were read. After the meeting rehearsal by the rank staff was held in charge of Brother F. Evans.

The fourth annual Arts and Crafts Exhibition will be held in the November Club House Monday afternoon, April 3. There will be a special display of the Deerfield work and a speaker, to be announced later. Afternoon tea will be served. The public is cordially invited.

Palo and Sarkis Kachamian of Chandler road appeared before Judge Stone at the local police court on last Friday afternoon on the charge of cruelty to an animal. It was claimed that they had abused a cow while leading her from Haverhill to West Parish on Sunday, February 27, by kicking and striking her after she had dropped exhausted to the ground. The two men were found guilty and fined \$5.00 each.

Wednesday night, the Andover lodge, 230 I.O.O.F., worked the second degree on several candidates. Visitors from Methuen, North Andover and Lawrence were expected, but owing to the storm and uncertain traffic conditions, few were able to be present. The same degree will be repeated next Wednesday evening for the benefit of the candidates from Methuen and North Andover.

Several members of the Junior class of Punchedard School, accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Loftus of the faculty, journeyed to Boston Tuesday afternoon where they witnessed the performance of "L'Abbe Constantin" at the Copley theatre. Among those present were Miss Loftus, Eleanor Dugan, Fannie Lewis, Gwendolyn Fallon and Mary Comeau; Earle Moody, Holbrook Dodge, Rollo Brewster and Clinton Turner.

The worst snowstorm of the season came on Wednesday afternoon and evening with a fall of about ten inches. Traffic on the electric roads was held up, the cars being anywhere from fifteen minutes to two hours late. Between Andover and Reading a large auto truck, stuck on the track, made matters worse for passengers between these towns. The passenger trains were late, from five minutes in the afternoon to nearly an hour at night.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Henry Colbath has left the employ of J. P. West, the baker.

Miss Gertrude Holyoke French of Boxford is visiting friends in town.

Miss Alice Rhodes and Miss Dorothy Chadwick spent the week-end with Mrs. T. E. Rhodes.

A delightful concert is promised those who attend the Andover-Exeter concert in the town hall tomorrow night.

A son was born on Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Paulding of New York. The mother was formerly Miss Alice Yates of this town.

The entertainment committee of the King's Daughters will hold a meeting at Mrs. Burton S. Flagg's, 27 Bartlett street, next Monday evening at 7 o'clock.

Four Railroad men are to speak at the Baptist church next Sunday evening—Harry S. Lovejoy, John S. Buffum, A. E. Gazzley, and Mr. Clifford. Mrs. Buffum will sing.

Remember the auction sale of farm and household property at the home of the late Daniel Sweeney on Holt road, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Barnett Rogers is the auctioneer.

The many friends of Mrs. Wm. B. Huckell will be glad to hear that the serious operation performed upon her at the Lawrence General Hospital proved successful, and she is resting as comfortably as can be expected.

All members of Andover Council, No. 65, Royal Arcanum, are invited to visit the John G. Whittier Council, No. 74, of Haverhill this evening. The entertainment will consist of an initiation by the Lowell degree team and music by the glee club. A banquet will follow.

There are still a few persons in Andover who remember Professor Park and will be interested to hear that his great-grandson, Charles Rawlinson Park, was born in Baltimore on March 2, the son of Edwards A. Park, M.D., who is connected with Johns Hopkins Medical department.

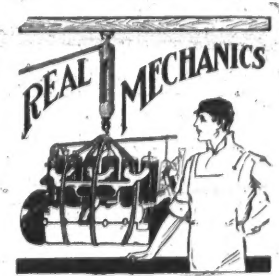
The business girls of Andover are invited to meet at the Guild next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, to discuss the organization of the Business Girls' Club. Business girls who live in Andover but have their business relations out of town, are cordially invited to come also on Tuesday evening.

A regular business meeting of Indian Ridge Rebekah lodge was held last Monday evening. At the conclusion of the business meeting, whist was enjoyed. A rehearsal of the degree staff of the lodge will be held on Monday evening. It is hoped that all those taking part will make a special effort to be present.

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At 7 o'clock the gathering sat down to an excellent supper prepared and served by Caterer T. E. Rhodes.

After all had enjoyed the excellent repast, the hall was cleared during a short intermission, after which the business meeting was called to order by President Philip L. Hardy. The report of the secretary was read and accepted. The treasurer, Frederick E. Cheever, then presented his annual report, showing the society to be in poor condition financially, owing to the small number of members who have enrolled. After presenting his report Mr. Cheever made a few remarks regarding the lack of interest shown by the alumni of the school and he hoped that by all pulling together during the coming year the organization might be built up to a proper standard, with a membership of 250 or 300. A discussion of

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THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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was consumed in discussing this article. Chairman Henry A. Bodwell of the School Committee presented the motion in favor of the new building, and the moderator appointed the following building committee: Burton S. Flagg, chairman; Henry A. Bodwell, Harry M. Eames, E. V. French, and John Alden.

The election which was held between the hours of six in the morning and two in the afternoon, brought out a large vote, there being a total of 1013 ballots cast. Last year the total vote was 1109.

In the contest for Selectman and Assessor between the present incumbent, Walter S. Donald, and Louis G. Buck, the former was the winner by more than two votes to one. In the School Committee contest, Miss Mary Byers Smith was a successful candidate, winning over Thomas E. Rhodes, a candidate for re-election, by nearly 300 votes. The other members who were re-elected were F. G. Moore and P. F. Ripley.

The contest for the three places on the Board of Auditors resulted in the return of John S. Robertson, who won over David R. Lawson, who has been on the board for one year. Nesbit G. Gleason and Walter H. Coleman were re-elected by substantial majorities.

Charles B. Baldwin was given a fine endorsement by the voters when he led by a large majority over the other contestants for the Board of Public Works. Barnett Rogers was also successful in defeating Samuel P. Hulme and Edward W. Boutwell. Mr. Baldwin takes the place of Lewis T. Hardy who declined to be a candidate this year.

The result of the balloting follows:
MODERATOR—One Year
Alfred L. Ripley 848
Blanks 165

TOWN CLERK—One Year
George A. Higgins 851
Blanks 162

TREASURER—One Year
George A. Higgins 825
Blanks 188

SELECTMAN—Three Years
Louis G. Buck 288
Walter S. Donald 660
Scattering 1

ASSESSOR—Three Years
Louis G. Buck 273
Walter S. Donald 654
Scattering 1

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—One Year
John W. Bell 819
Blanks 194

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—Three Years
Frederic G. Moore 763
Thomas E. Rhodes 452
Philip F. Ripley 736
Mary Byers Smith 722
Blanks 639

TRUSTEES OF PUNCHARD FREE SCHOOL—Three Years
Samuel H. Boutwell 729
Frank T. Carlton 696
Harry M. Eames 720
Myron E. Guttererson 728
Harry H. Noyes 687
Blanks 1510

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
Three Years
Charles B. Baldwin 674
Edward W. Boutwell 256
Samuel P. Hulme 314
Barnett Rogers 470
Blanks 312

BOARD OF HEALTH
Three Years
Charles E. Abbott 766
Blanks 247

AUDITORS OF ACCOUNTS
One Year
Walter H. Coleman 481
Nesbit G. Gleason 568
Edmond E. Hammond 368
David R. Lawson 460
John S. Robertson 534
Blanks 628

CONSTABLES—One Year
Chester N. Lawrence 699
George W. Mears 671
Frank M. Smith 724
Blanks 945

TRUSTEE OF MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY—Seven Years
Alfred E. Stearns 779
Blanks 234

TREE WARDEN—One Year
John H. Playdon 790
Blanks 223

Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?
Yes 285
No 98

The meeting for discussion of appropriations was called to order at about 2 o'clock by Moderator Alfred L. Ripley. Article 1 was taken up and various officers were chosen as follows: Trustee of Cornell Fund for three years, Allan Simpson; trustees of Spring Grove cemetery for three years: John L. Smith, George W. Foster, Felix G. Haynes, Oliver W. Vennard, George D. Millett, John W. Bell, Daniel H. Poor, and Walter I. Morse.

Fence viewers: James Saunders, Geo. W. Mears and Raymond L. Buchan. Pound keeper, Voted, that the town barn and barnyard be the Town Pound and that the superintendent of the town farm be the keeper.

Article 3.—To determine what sum of money shall be appropriated for Almshouse Expenses, Relief out of Almshouse, Aiding Mothers with Dependent Children, Board of Health, Brush Fires, Fire Department, Hay Scales, Highway Department, Insurance, Interest, Memorial Hall Library, Memorial Day, Post 99, G. A. R., Miscellaneous, Parks and Playsteads, Police, Printing and Stationery, Public Dump, Retirement of Veterans, Redemption of Water, Sewer, and Andover Loan Bonds, Schools, Sewer Maintenance, Sewer Sinking Funds, Soldiers' Relief, Spring Grove Cemetery, State Aid, Street Lighters, Town Officers, Town House, Tree Warden, Moth Department, Water Maintenance, Construction and Sinking Funds, and other town charges and expenses.

Took up Article 3. Voted to appropriate the following sums of money:
Almshouse expenses \$4200.00
Repairs on almshouse 450.00
Relief out of almshouse 4300.00
Aiding mothers with dependent children 500.00
Board of Health 2000.00
Brush Fires 800.00
Fire Department 9200.00

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Hay Scales 125.00
Highway Department, Sidewalks, Snow 28000.00
Also St. Hy. Tax and Street Sprinkling (amounting last year to \$5477.09)

Chairman Rhodes of the Board of Public Works moved in connection with the above that \$500.00 be set aside under the Betterment Act for sidewalk construction and that applications be received for such sidewalks before August 1 instead of September 1. He also suggested that money that remains may be used for sidewalk repairs, to be determined by the Board.

S. H. Boutwell: "I would like to suggest, as has been the custom with the exception of last year, that it be explained where they intend to spend this money. There are many in the house who have not the reports. It is recorded in the reports, but for the benefit of those present who have not reports it might be well to explain."

Chairman Rhodes: "Part of that money has got to be used for general maintenance of our highways. Just where every dollar will be spent, it is hard to tell because we do not know. New work includes the building of Brook street, Central street and School street. These streets we want to put into proper shape, with macadam roads. How much that will take we cannot tell you. We have estimates which you will find in your Reports in regard to the new work, Page 30, towards the end of the book. That is all we can look ahead for."

Louis G. Buck: "We have gone into the matter of roads before. School street everybody knows is in bad condition. I would like to make a suggestion that regular stone be used as an experiment, so the town can see whether we need crushed stone or common field stone."

John N. Cole: "Do I understand that to the amount appropriated for highways we add the Street Railway tax?" Moderator: "I intended to state it, that the sum of \$28,000 be expended for Highways, Sidewalks and Snow, and also such sums as are realized from Street Railway Tax and Street Sprinkling. Are you ready for the question?" Voted \$28,000, and receipts as moved.

Insurance, \$950.00 voted.
Insurance under Workmen's Compensation Act, \$1600.00 voted.
Interest, \$1300.00 voted.
Memorial Hall Library, \$1800.00 voted.

Mr. Buck: "May I ask if part of that money is going to be expended on the grounds at Ballardvale?" E. K. Jenkins: "We are liable to change our front doors, so they will open to the street. Something has to be spent there." Voted.

Memorial Day, \$350.00 voted.
George B. Frost: "Was there any report telling us what was done with the \$350.00, how it was expended? I don't doubt it was wisely spent. I ask how the money was expended."

Mr. Cole: "Does not the motion provide that it shall be expended by Post 99, G. A. R.? I wonder if that does not sufficiently answer the gentleman. It is in the hands of Post 99, G. A. R., and they have the handling of that money entirely. If that isn't sufficient answer, I think it ought to be and I think the town is glad to leave it to that particular organization. I feel that we know enough about it and we are glad it is in their hands to carry out."

Mr. Frost: "If we give them \$350.00 or \$500.00 and they do not see fit to put it in the Report, is it, I ask, anything discourteous that I ask that they simply tell those who do not know? There are people in this community here who do not know, the gentleman knows everything."

Mr. Cole: "When the change was made some years ago in the appropriation for Memorial Day it was left to the discretion of Post 99, G. A. R. It was left to them to spend as they saw fit and there has never been any thought in the mind of the town to ask what they do with the money. The group is growing smaller every year and certainly this is not the time to doubt their acts. The gentleman says I know everything, but I don't know what becomes of the money and I don't give a rap."

Mr. Rhodes: "The Post 99, G. A. R., is not a town department." Mr. Jenkins: "We pay everything that we ought to pay for flowers and flags and teams. Why, we use that money honestly. Gentlemen, don't you think we do?" Voted.

Post 99, G. A. R., \$100.00 voted.
Miscellaneous Expenses, \$1700.00 voted.

Parks and Playsteads, \$1500.00 voted.
Mr. Lombard: "I would amend that by adding \$15.00 to that amount, making it \$1515.00. I will explain the reason. I would like to move that a committee be appointed to investigate and report recommendations for action to the town for some method of taking care of the surplus water that comes down through our Park and take action in removing the, I don't know what you call it, in the center of the Park. Several attempts have been made to bring this matter before the town, and I would like to move that we add \$15.00 to the appropriation to provide for this."

Henry Povo: "That is going to be no good. You cannot provide for the brook that keeps the water all back. I do not see any use in laying out money that can't do any good but just to heaven it away. I make the motion that the Chair appoint a committee."

Mr. Cole: "I would like to ask the chairman of the Board of Public Works if there will be any call for any extra appropriation. For \$15.00 one can't get a lot of surveying done in this world."

Moderator: "I do not think there will be any necessity for raising any further money."

Mr. Lombard: "There is \$100,000 worth of property affected by that condition; the town spent a lot of money

draining the playstead and put a pipe to the brook; now as soon as it rains half an hour, the pipe is shut off. I will withdraw the recommendation for \$15.00."

An amendment was voted that the Board of Public Works be instructed to investigate and report a feasible plan for getting rid of this condition, and \$1500.00 was appropriated.

A motion to appropriate \$4500 for Police was made.

Mr. Cole: "There is another thing I do not know, what are we getting in the nature of service from the police, I move that we appropriate \$3500.00 for police for the ensuing year."

Selectman Eames: "It means reducing the police force one member."

Mr. Povo: "It seems to me we ought to lose one. The one in our section cannot stay there now. He has to be down there and only makes one round, then he has to go up town to help out. We are supposed to have another man up town but I can't see none, but Mr. Frye. We ought to drop one and drop him quick."

A rising vote was taken on this question and amendment was lost. \$4500.00 was voted.

Printing and Stationery, \$1150.00 voted.
Public Dump, \$75.00 voted.
Retirement of Veterans, Acts of 1912, \$300.00 voted.
Redemption of Water Bonds, \$1100.00 voted.
Redemption of Andover Loan Act Bonds, \$5000.00 voted.
Redemption of Abbott Village Sewer Bonds, \$4505.67 voted.

SCHOOLS
Chairman Bodwell: "This year we have been keeping our accounts according to State bookkeeping requirements, and so we ask for one appropriation. Last year we asked for an aggregate of \$46,700 and our expenditures were \$46,656. We are asking this year for \$47,000. I move that \$47,000 be appropriated."

J. E. Dodge: "Are the School Committee making any plans about furnishing pure drinking-water? I understand the well at the Bailey school has been condemned."

Mr. Bodwell: "We have not used the well for over a year. We have under consideration putting in a driven well there if it seems to be feasible. It is outside of the limits of the water supply of the town."

Mr. Dodge: "Might I ask again, if they are using water that stands two weeks in bottles, is it right for them to drink that water?"

Supt. Allison: "The water is not exposed to the air. People who own springs inform me the water has stood for six months or more and then been proper to use. The water so far as known is in perfect condition. We are not furnishing this water because we think it is desirable, but it is the best thing we have been able to do at the present time. I had an agent from the State Board of Health make an examination of another water supply for that school and expect a report in a few days."

Mr. Dodge: "My apology to the School Board. I was informed they only received fresh water once in two weeks."

Sewer Department: Maintenance, \$1800.00; Sinking Fund, \$1000.00 voted.
Soldiers' Relief, \$900.00 voted.
Spring Grove Cemetery, \$1000.00 voted.
State Aid, \$1500.00 voted.

STREET LIGHTING
Barnett Rogers: "The present lighting contract expires the first of next April. If you consider you are going to have a contract on same conditions then I should ask for \$6500.00. What the next contract may be I don't know; I can probably tell you what is past, but I cannot tell what is to come. We cannot tell until we talk with the Lawrence Gas Company, but will do the best we can. Our present system of lighting costs \$16.00 a year for each incandescent light and a year for each arc. Methuen pays more. The town of Andover is pretty well supplied by the Lawrence Gas Company."

Mr. Cole: "I wonder if the chairman of the Lighting Committee can give us any information as to what consideration the committee has given to a changed method of lighting Main street, the elimination of poles and wires, etc. I am curious to know if his committee has given any consideration to it."

Mr. Rogers: "We have talked that over with the Lawrence Gas Company. Of course, if you want a 'white way', why the wires must be underground. If the town wants to appropriate so much money we will do the best we can."

Mr. Cole: "I am only interested in the phase involved, in placing wires underground and the possibility of securing some concessions on that line in making a new contract. It would seem to be wise for the Lighting Committee to do that."

Chas. B. Baldwin: "I would say the sum of \$6500.00 would not permit us to do what the gentleman refers to. It is necessary to take care of present lights and those already ordered. That matter of lighting is under consideration, but I doubt if it could be done this year unless we have a larger appropriation, and I do not think the Lighting Committee are prepared to urge that now. The time will come when some arrangement must be made, and we think perhaps six in number (of lights) on each side of the street would make a great difference, but I do not think that the matter can be considered this year, if we are to stick to our idea of economy."

Mr. Bodwell: "I raised the question with the chairman of the committee as to the reason the town is paying more per k.w. than the private consumer. It is a fact that it costs the town about 15 per cent more per k.w. than a private consumer in the town. I have still to have a satisfactory answer as to how this has been taken up with the Lawrence Gas Company, and I also would ask whether this current could be

metered so that we will pay no more than a small private consumer."

Mr. Rogers: "This is about the third time I have been asked the question and I told my friend I would make inquiries of the Lawrence Gas Company, and I would ask your permission to be allowed to read a letter I have received." Read letter.

March 6, 1916
Mr. Barnett Rogers,
Andover, Massachusetts.
Dear Sir:—

Street lighting has so many characteristics differing from house and store lighting that it is not possible to make any comparison between the two systems that would be of value. The nature of the current used for street lighting is not adapted to interior lighting; this Company is frequently called upon to make long extensions of pole lines and wires for one or two street lamps, the gross income from which would be sixteen dollars per lamp a year; in house or store lighting we would not make so large an outlay for the small revenue received and further, as already noted, the wires run for these street lamps transmit current which is not suitable for any purpose outside of street lighting. All the fixtures for street lights are supplied by us without any expense to the town and kept in repair by this Company. The Company supplies all the incandescent lamps free to the town, lamps of this type are not supplied free to the general consumer. Incandescent lamps used for street lighting known as the series incandescent mazda lamps are more expensive than the mazda lamps used for interior lighting, the cost of these lamps and renewals or breakages, unintentional or otherwise, are borne by this Company. We are also required to do patrol work to see that these lamps are in order. From the foregoing I think it will appear that street lighting has many characteristics peculiar to itself. I would add the gross receipts from this part of our business in Andover is about nine cents per k.w.h., and from this must be deducted the expenses already noted peculiar to street lighting.

I would add that although our contract with the town called for lamps 40 candle power, we on December 1 last commenced to make all the renewals with lamps of 60 candle power; this is the latest development in lamps for this purpose and while consuming about the same current as the 40-candlepower, the cost of the lamps is greater.

The schedule under which we light the streets is very favorable to the town; although called the moonlight system, the lamps are lighted on dark moonlight nights upon orders of the Town Lighting Committee, the lamps are also lighted for one hour in the morning for three months, the

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NEWS OF OUR NEIGHBORS

NORTH ANDOVER

The election in North Andover brought out a big vote, a total of 1010 out of 1298 voters casting their ballots for town officers. There was a spirited contest for Selectman, Peter Holt and John T. Campbell being re-elected and Fred Leach securing the third place over E. E. Curley, his nearest opponent. In the contest for assessor John T. Campbell won over Patrick P. Daw by one vote.

The summary:

TOWN CLERK
For One Year
Precinct 1 2 Ttl.
James A. Duncan 601 204 805
Blanks 165 28 193

TOWNS TREASURER
For One Year
G. H. Perkins 581 198 779
Blanks 185 34 219

SELECTMAN
For One Year
J. T. Campbell 410 108 518
E. E. Curley 379 108 487
F. W. Frisbee 308 92 400

Peter Holt 358 162 520
Fred Leach 466 108 574
H. J. Mead 100 58 158
Blanks 277 60 337

Leach, Holt and Campbell elected.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR
For One Year
George Mattheson 349 62 411
W. H. Poor 401 168 569
Blanks 16 2 18

Poor re-elected.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
For Three Years
A. F. King 516 186 702
Blanks 254 53 307

ASSESSOR
For Three Years
J. T. Campbell 358 90 448
P. P. Daw 325 122 447
Blanks 83 20 103

Campbell re-elected.

AUDITOR
For One Year
J. W. Elliott 585 193 778
Blanks 181 39 220

TAX COLLECTOR
For One Year
A. W. Badger 564 188 752
Blanks 202 44 246

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
For One Year
J. T. Campbell 395 108 502
E. E. Curley 367 104 471
F. W. Frisbee 302 89 391

Peter Holt 335 159 494
Fred Leach 468 106 574
H. J. Mead 94 58 152
Blanks 337 72 409

Leach, Campbell and Holt elected.

CONSTABLE
For One Year
C. A. Bauman 66 8 74
Albert Brearley 116 30 146

Joseph Bumey 203 27 230
H. L. Bunker 64 15 79
J. H. Campbell 352 85 437

M. W. Costello 192 55 247
J. T. Dolan 54 14 69
W. H. Fitzgerald 249 62 356

J. H. Goff 427 138 565
A. B. Kane 27 15 42
G. E. W. Kershaw 125 16 141

J. L. Leighton 234 117 351
J. R. McEvoy 176 79 255
H. H. Morrill 132 15 147

W. E. Towne 265 87 352
G. J. Van Buskirk 220 78 298
J. P. Walsh 276 84 360

Blanks 606 235 841
Goff, Campbell, Fitzgerald, Walsh and Towne elected.

MEMBER OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS—Three Years
A. O. Gile 253 56 291
W. H. Somerville 307 93 400

J. H. Sutton 170 69 239
Blanks 54 14 68
Somerville re-elected.

TREE WARDEN
For One Year
F. W. Phelan 540 175 715
Blanks 226 57 283

MEMBER BOARD OF HEALTH
For Three Years
G. B. Brightman 423 114 537
T. V. Kennedy 243 77 320

Blanks 100 41 141
LICENSE VOTE
No 442 156 598
Yes 243 59 302
No Wins.

John P. Kershaw of Cleveland street is out again after an illness.

Miss Mary B. Phillips of Middlesex street is visiting in Philadelphia.

Miss Bessie Dame who has been critically ill is reported to be improving.

The next regular meeting of Penelope Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., will occur on next Monday evening.

The school committee organized Tuesday afternoon with the choice of A. F. King, Jr., as chairman and Dana P. Dame, secretary.

John Manning has resumed his work as crossing tender at Swan's Corner, after being confined to his home West View farm, in the Kimball district, for illness. His duties were attended to by James H. McClay.

The Advisory board met Tuesday night at the selectmen's office to hear citizens on the articles of the town warrant before they will be redrawn by the board for the adjourned town meeting Saturday.

The Stevens Social club held a well attended whist party and dance at their club house Thursday night. It was enjoyed by many members and friends. An exhibition dance was given by Frank Hannon and Miss Mary Mumy. A collation was served. Music was by the club's victrola and Howard Doherty, pianist.

METHUEN

Election day in Methuen brought out the largest vote in the history of the town a total of 1786 ballots being cast, including eight female votes. In the contest for Selectmen, James H. Lyons, chairman of the board of last year was defeated, David D. Woodbury displacing him for the office. In the contest for water commissioner, William Parlow was elected. Street superintendent Robert W. Dow was elected with a fine vote, defeating his opponent by nearly 800 votes. In the contest for assessor Samuel Joy was a winner his vote being 821 and Spicer was next with a vote of 396.

MODERATOR
Albion G. Pierce 778 310 285 1373
Blanks 215 97 93 405

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
Precinct 1 2 3 Ttl.
Joseph S. Howe 798 320 290 4048
Blanks 195 87 88 370

TAX COLLECTOR
W. L. S. Gilcrest 780 319 286 1385
Blanks 213 88 92 293

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF POOR
Henry Dean 254 154 138 546
T. N. Hubbard 323 156 32 511

James H. Lyons 332 85 97 514
Samuel Rushton 501 283 189 973
W. H. Russell 204 93 40 337

W. L. Stedman 377 122 261 760
James Watt 42 11 40 93
Oscar Weller 54 13 148 215

David Woodbury 589 189 88 866
Blanks 303 115 101 519

ASSESSOR
D. H. Ackroyd 101 65 42 208
Arthur Barnby 27 4 8 36

A. W. Hutchins 137 16 36 189
Samuel Joy 467 133 221 821
Walter Spicer 202 158 36 396

Blanks 59 34 35 128
HIGHWAY SURVEYOR
Robert W. Dow 691 292 225 1208

O. N. Trussell 265 96 125 486
Blanks 37 19 28 84

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
W. M. Hastings 435 97 130 662
F. G. Hillis 230 170 104 504

J. W. Rawnsley 227 119 72 418
Blanks 109 24 72 205

WATER COMMISSIONER
G. W. Craig 69 77 35 181
F. W. Gay 233 64 41 338

W. J. Parlow 283 130 207 620
E. P. Spooner 263 73 55 391
H. F. Spottiswood 100 38 11 149

Blanks 45 25 29 99
TRUSTEE NEVINS MEMORIAL
H. N. Johnson 648 280 249 1177
Blank 299 127 129 555

TREE WARDEN
F. J. Roberts 281 124 90 495
A. H. Wagland 611 256 214 1081

Blank 101 27 64 192
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER
H. P. Wilkinson 664 287 252 1203

Blanks 329 120 126 575
AUDITOR
Frank Sharples 677 314 252 1243
Blank 316 93 126 535

CONSTABLES
W. J. Oliver 595 275 187 1057
A. Marsland, Jr. 235 97 132 464

Blanks 3142 1250 1193 5585
LICENSE
Yes 345 157 183 685
No 563 214 160 937

Blank 85 36 35 156
CIVIL SERVICE FOR POLICE
CHIEF
Yes 244 118 97 459
No 456 166 158 780

Blanks 293 123 123 539
William H. Johnson is detained at his home on Broadway by illness.

Benjamin Forbes and family have been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Lewis on Pelham street.

Alfred Russell, son of Capt. William H. Russell, who underwent a surgical operation at home Sunday is resting comfortably at 90 Ashland avenue.

The monthly meeting of Samuel Adams chapter, D. A. R., will be held March 18 with Mrs. McLanathan. The speaker will be Mrs. George Jenkins, state regent.

At the Baptist church Tuesday night Rev. E. S. Tasker of the Central M. E. church of Lawrence delivered a special evangelistic sermon. There was singing by the church quartet.

A roll-call of the members of the Methodist church was held Wednesday night at the church vestry, and the affair proved a most gratifying success to those who had the matter in charge.

Sealer of weights and measures John T. Dugdale is able to be about after his long illness. Mr. Dugdale has submitted to two surgical operations this winter, following one about a year ago.

Before the Men's club of the Fort street union church, Tuesday night Professor Graham of Amherst delivered a lecture on poultry raising. It was well received by the men and proved highly instructive.

Word has been received of the death of Allan T. Goldsmith, formerly of Methuen, in Los Angeles, Cal. He leaves his wife, two children, two sisters, Mertina and Edith of Methuen, and one brother, Charles of Cadillac, Mich.

The following officers have been chosen by the Methuen Catholic Temperance society: President, William Quinn; vice-president, Patrick Cavanaugh; treasurer, Michael Mahoney; financial and recording secretary, John Byrne; trustees, James A. Herron, Edward J. Feeney and J. J. Byrnes; marshal, John O'Malley. The society will meet Sunday.

LAWRENCE

The annual banquet of the Lawrence Tufts club will be held April 3 at "The Turnpike," Methuen.

A bakery sale will be held under the auspices of Company A, of the United Congregational church, at the home of Mrs. George B. McGlashan, 12 Pearl street this afternoon from 3 to 5.30 o'clock.

There will be a Lenten pageant in the opera house on Thursday evening, April 20. It will be given under the auspices of Grace Episcopal church and it is expected that it will be fully as successful as the pageant of the Nativity that was presented in the city hall at Christmastide. In fact some of the features of that presentation will be retained for the coming one.

The complete cast for the original religious drama, "A Child of Judea," which will be presented by the Lawrence Players in the Colonial Theatre on the three Sunday nights, April 2, 9 and 16, has been announced and it is one of the strongest that has ever been presented in a local amateur production. There are 24 principal parts and each is played by a player of tried merit, who has appeared with success in former plays here.

"South America" was the subject of an interesting lecture delivered by A. L. Squier of Boston at the vespers service at Trinity church Sunday night. Mr. Squier depicted for his large audience many of the unique sights, places and things of interest, beautiful scenery, characteristics of the people and the industries peculiar to the southern half of the continent, illustrating his word pictures with stereoscopic illustrations no less effective.

The old city hotel structure, on Oak street, midway between Lawrence and White streets, was badly gutted by fire early Monday morning. The house, which is divided into six tenements, all unoccupied, was empty at the time, the fire apparently starting in an old mattress. It worked its way from the second floor through the first floor ceiling, then up the front of the structure to the roof. The building is badly out of repair and the loss could not be estimated.

A committee of local men, among whom will be George E. Murray, Ernest G. Gay, John Ashton, W. H. Buswell, William D. Hartshorne, Charles W. Walworth, Henry Furneaux and others, will visit Dr. William Biederwolf next Saturday and Sunday at Norristown, Pa., where he is conducting a revival campaign similar to the one that is being planned for this city next fall. The committee will look into methods of Dr. Biederwolf, study the plan and construction of the tabernacle, and discuss the methods of financing the project.

State political circles here are beginning to hum in anticipation of the appointment of a clerk of the district court at Lawrence by Governor Samuel W. McCall and his council when Clerk Daniel W. Mahoney's term expires in the latter part of the year. Mr. Mahoney has served for several years, having been appointed by Governor Foss. He is being mentioned for re-appointment strongly and it is understood many of his friends are already beginning to make plans in his behalf. Other factions are supporting former clerk William F. Moyes, Christopher H. Chubb, Nathaniel A. Rankin and Harry A. Lawrence, all of whom have been mentioned as possible appointees.

The class of 1916 at Cannon's Commercial college tendered a reception Monday evening to the students of Downs Commercial college of Haverhill, at the Merrimack Valley Country club. The event was in the form of a dance and was one of the prettiest pre-lenten socials of the season. Bardsley's orchestra furnished music for dancing with special features in Hawaiian waltzes. A dainty collation was served late in the evening by the club steward. The committee on arrangements comprised: Violet Appleby, Rose Fingleton, Beatrice Coughlan, Jennie Lind, Elsie Wood, Louise Brueckner, Agnes Lane, Mary Guiney, Frank Hurley, Fred Martin, John Farrell, Francis Twomey, Charles Fyfe and Cornelius Cleary.

The A. A. Miner class of the Gleason Memorial Universalist Sunday school was entertained Wednesday afternoon by Rev. A. Gertrude Earle at her study. After a business meeting refreshments were served and a social time followed. Those present included Persis Sawyer, Mina Woodbury, Doris Gil, Alice Giles, Eleanor Richardson, Janet Merrill and Ethel Morgan.

Miss Ella Clough who is to be married to Charles Merrill of Worcester, was given a miscellaneous shower at the home of Miss Marion Adams. Mr. Merrill graduated from the Methuen High school in 1911. A musical program consisting of vocal numbers was given by Miss Irma Eichler and Miss Lina Tyrie and Miss Evelyn Cole and Miss Ruth Tyrie presided at the piano. The Misses Marion Winnie and Emma Adams served refreshments. Among those present: Misses Marion and Helen Bodwell, Irma and Etta Eichler, Hazel Merrill, Clara Otis, Evelyn and Mary Cole, Florence Fyfe, Ruth and Lina Tyrie, Pearl Worcester, Genie Pinney, Ella Kress, Ruth Slingsby.

BOSTON THEATRES

MAJESTIC

That always delightful favorite, William Hodge, in his new play success, "Fixing Sister" is now well launched in what seems to be one of his most prosperous engagements at the Majestic Theatre in Boston. This comedy drama of American types has proven one of the truly inviting novelties of Boston's current season and it bids fair to be as popular as was Mr. Hodge's "Man from Home" and "The Road to Happiness" in which two plays he starred successfully for ten years.

His present play is one of New York life. All of its four acts are laid amid luxurious, fashionable scenes in metropolitan high society and one of its most crowded, picturesque tableaux presents a smart bridge whist party in progress. In this scene over thirty persons take part. The character portrayed by Mr. Hodge is that of an up-to-date American business man, equally at home in high finance or smart society. As John Otis in "Fixing Sister," the unique Hodge impersonates a humorous, witty, but masterful American—the kind of gentleman that we are all proud of.

Otis, who comes to New York from Kansas City to save his sister from the consequences of her extravagance and social follies and a fortune-hunting pair of foreigners, is the "man from Missouri" and has to be shown. He dons evening clothes, mingles with the smartest social set in New York and eventually, in the matching of wits, he wins out.

In the interpretation of his play, Mr. Hodge has surrounded himself, as always, with an exceptionally fine company. Bargain matinees are given on Wednesdays when the best seats are only one dollar.

SHUBERT

All the world loves the hero of daring deeds, of ready wit, of skill with a rapier, especially when he fights in the cause of true love. And as the embodiment of all these qualities of romance which have been too long lost to the stage since Sothern and Hackett ceased playing them, the brilliant young actor, Lou Tellegen, is, without question, the ideal. But if we are indebted to Mr. Tellegen for these promised delights, we are no less indebted to Miss Jessie Bonstelle who discovered this sparkling play of the time of Henry VIII, who gave it its captivating and happy title, and who brought together, in support of the star, one of the best casts seen here in many a long day. "A King of Nowhere" is the work of J. and L. du Rocher Macpherson, and is presented by the Garrick Company of which Miss Bonstelle is the managing director.

There is special curiosity to see Lou Tellegen now that he has recently won the heart and hand of Geraldine Farrar who has now become Mrs. Lou Tellegen.

WILBUR

"Hobson's Choice", a delicious English comedy which has been running at the Comedy Theatre since early fall, comes direct from Manhattan to Ye Wilbur Theatre next week, opening Monday night, March 13th. Needless to say, Messrs. Shubert, who are the sponsors for the play, are sending the original company. The play was staged under the direction of B. Iden Payne, who enjoys a wide reputation in England and this country as director of the Manchester Repertoire Theatre, made famous by Miss Horniman's Players. The play is by Harold Brighouse, and he has chosen for the title of his comedy the old English expression, "Hobson's Choice." This expression originated in the 17th century in connection with a livery keeper, who made it a rule that his patrons must take the horse nearest the stable door, whether it be good or bad. Mr. Brighouse has applied this old adage to a comedy of modern English provincial life, in which the central figure, that of a Lancashire shopkeeper, is also named Hobson,—only he has four daughters to dispose of instead of horses. He determines that each shall marry the man of his choice, irrespective of their own wishes.

The play has had an immense vogue in New York, comparable only with that of "Bunny Pulls the Strings." There will be bargain matinees on Wednesdays, when the best orchestra seats are offered at one dollar.

PLYMOUTH

George MacFarlane in "Heart o' th' Heather" begins his third week at the Plymouth Theatre, Boston, beginning next Monday. Not in years has there been presented such a bright luminary in the stellar field of the stage as this same popular young baritone, who is now so familiarly known throughout the country for his singing that he is recognized as America's best baritone singer. He is afforded in the new comedy by Glen MacDonough a fitting vehicle to reveal his excellent qualities of both actor and singer, for he is that rarity, a most capable actor as well as a master of song. In fact, his last appearance in Boston was as Taffy in the allstar revival of "Tribby", and the impression that he created as the sturdy Scot of Du Maurier's famous story stamped him as a premiere actor. But in the present play he shows new facets of his brilliance as a stage star.

The story of the comedy concerns the return of a young adventurer who has wandered across the seas and now comes back to the little Scotch town of Burley Brig in the height of a great

snow storm. There he meets with convivial souls at the country inn, and there he encounters adventure.

Joseph Brooks, the producer of the comedy has given it a most sumptuous production both in scenic investiture and in the company of most capable players.

The matinees at this theatre are given on Thursdays and Saturdays, the Thursday matinee being popular priced, and all mail orders will receive prompt attention.

PARK SQUARE

In response to the demand that was positively insistent when "Twin Beds" ended its engagement at the Park Square Theatre, Boston, last fall, Selwyn & Co., its producers, have found the opportunity to meet this demand, and now the pleasant message is given that this merry farce is to play a short return engagement at the same house Monday, March 13, with the cast in entirety that played during the previous engagement.

The remarkable appeal of "Twin Beds" lies in its naturalness, its witty dialogue, its marvelous slang, its clean theme and its hilarious situations, which follow each other with the rapidity of a Maxim-Nordfeldt in action. Salisbury Field and Margaret Mayo, the authors, kept to the wholesome boundaries prescribed by the New World taste.

The story is built upon the complications that can arise when three couples—one newly-wed, one engaged, and one on the point of celebrating a tenth anniversary of marriage, all comely and gregarious and nearly all jealous—live in three apartments directly above each other in a big metropolitan apartment house, and exchange visits, both by invitation and by mistake, at assorted hours of the day and night.

The matinees will be given on Wednesdays and Saturdays, the Wednesday being popular priced, and for the convenience of out of town patrons, mail orders will be carefully filled.

TREMONT TEMPLE

"The Battle Cry of Peace" begins its third week at the Tremont Temple, Boston, next Monday. This has proved a most popular return engagement, for not only does the great spectacle prove enlightening and entertaining through its own powers, but coming as it does at a time when the great question that it treats is warmly discussed throughout the country, it becomes a mighty debater on the side of Preparedness against war. This is the reason that it is now presented in cooperation with the National Security League as an aid and endorsement of President Wilson in his great preparedness campaign. Plethora of humor leaves the story, which is remarkable for its utter lack of gruesomeness that with less delicate handling might dominate so serious a subject. But with it all there is one great inspiring influence that is ever present, that makes of the film's paradoxical title a most fitting appellation, a battle cry of peace, a call to arms to ensure the safety and honor of American homes and people. Two performances daily are given, at 2 and 8 p. m., and all seats are reserved.

The second lecture of the course of the Mass. Audubon Society will be given at Tremont Temple next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock when Prof. Wells W. Cooke, of Washington, D. C. will talk on "Mysteries of Bird Migration." Prof. Cooke has made a life study of bird migration and is the foremost authority on that subject in the world today. The lecture is beautifully illustrated with moving pictures and colored slides.

At 4.30, B. R. Baumgardt will give the second of his series of lectures, following the bird lecture. Mr. Baumgardt will speak on "Sweden and the Swedes." He gives an impressionistic sketch of Sweden from the god Woden to the present day with a knowledge gained by an eighteen years residence in that country, illustrated by colored views showing its institutions, sports and quaint customs.

In the evening, Mr. Baumgardt will again give his lecture of the afternoon, in addition to which the usual attractive program of motion pictures will be presented.

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The Town's Good Start

The town meeting of last Monday was one of the quietest meetings for a long time and business was concluded in nearly a record-breaking period. A number of things may be pointed to as contributing to this result, but whatever the causes, the town has reason to take considerable satisfaction over the fact. Of course it does not always follow that rapid motion means efficiency, but again we may feel in this case that it really does, for not only a record is made in the work of the meeting, but the result of that work promises a lesser tax rate than last year, with a probability of a dollar or more reduction. If Andover has succeeded in reading the signs of the times and profiting by all the agitation that has been so pronounced throughout the country in the past year in favor of lessening cost of government, our citizens deserve hearty praise and congratulation.

The appropriation for a new High School building went through as was expected, and perhaps with even less discussion than had been anticipated, but here again the preliminary investigation had been pretty carefully worked out from two years of consideration, and those who had investigated it, including practically all of the people of the town, appreciated that we could not carry on the High School work any longer without better accommodations. The vote at the end of the meeting anticipated any possible changed conditions by putting the town on record as approving a hold-up in operations if building conditions became as disturbing as some people fear they may. Let us hope that nothing will interfere with steady progress on this project now assuring a new schoolhouse for those who enter in 1917, if not perhaps for those who graduate in that year two months previous.

The highway appropriation for Andover has now reached pretty large figures, representing a levy out of the tax rate of the generous amount of considerably over \$3.00 a thousand, and increasing each year. There is no way to stop it. It is clearly the result of very unsatisfactory service for a number of years, too small appropriations in connection with that service, and the absolute necessity now for big appropriations to make up the previous lapses. It was a distinct surprise and shock to some of the citizens to find that we established a precedent a year ago in appropriating money out of the current year's tax levy to pay for extension of water-mains; the writer believed at the time that it was an appropriation to come out of bonds still available and had no thought that it was a direct tax. This action is a further result of the manner in which the Board of Public Works has been conducted the past two years, and offers excellent evidence of abundant reasons why a change should be made, and congratulations upon the fact that a change has been made in the chairmanship of this Board.

The election added another woman to the School Board, and that Board is now constituted, in so far as the sexes are concerned, the same as was the School Board for a good many years previous to it, years ago. The writer recalls with a great deal of satisfaction a service on the School Board for the years between 1896 and 1906, the greater part of the time associated with two women possessing rare qualifications for service, and proving up in a most satisfactory way as efficient helpers in the conduct of school affairs in the town. We refrain from commenting upon the present agitation in which some over-zealous ladies attempted to raise the issue of suffrage or anti-suffrage through the presentation of the candidate who came before the voters for consideration this year. By some of these people and others, an attempt was made to have the voters look upon this as rather a novel procedure, but when one recalls the number of excellent women who have preceded the present two female members of the Board in that important work, and realizes that Andover, even before women began to vote in any numbers, recognized the peculiar equipment that women have for this service, there was nothing novel about the discussed candidacy this year. Nothing better could be hoped for from the ladies who now associate with the men in this important work in Andover, than that they may do their work as quietly and efficiently as did Miss Jackson, Mrs. Morrill and Mrs. Wilson in days of yore.

The other results of the election were as expected, and the town is to be congratulated upon bringing into the public service of its most important department of public works, a young man so well fitted and earnest and interested as is the young man at the head of the ballot, Charles B. Baldwin. Mr. Rogers has won his re-election by good service. The two men working in harmony with other members of the Board who stand for work rather than talk, ought to make that department this year more efficient than it has ever been before. The re-election of Mr. Robertson to the Board of Auditors was rather expected by those who recognized his own worth and equipment for the job, and also recognized in the candidacy of Edmond Hammond a distinct menace to the reelection of David R. Lawson. Mr. Lawson has done too good work to deserve defeat, and that same good work is bound to bring him his later recognition at a time when political

conditions are more propitious than Mr. Hammond's entrance into the fight permitted this year. Mr. Donald goes back another term as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor, because in the first place the town is pretty well satisfied with him, and in the second place his opponent had not been able to arouse very much confidence on the part of the public that he was properly fitted for this important work.

If the probable lower tax rate is traceable in the least degree to the agitation in this column for a larger economy in conducting public business in Andover, we are glad, but that result is only a partial step in the very important work ahead of all communities. Andover included, in working out the problem of more economical government. A week ago we urged the very great importance of having the Finance Committee organize promptly for the work of the coming year, and to determine to do more in the way of changing methods in Andover public affairs than they had ever done before. We want to reaffirm that desire. We doubt if the members of this committee really know how powerful the committee could be under the by-laws which created it, and under the powers given to it to reorganize town departments. The trouble with it and the present public service is the lack of cooperation between the various departments, and the failure of one department to coordinate its work to another. This is all covered in the layout of the Finance Committee for Andover, and with the strong personnel found on this committee at the present time we believe much good can be accomplished the coming year. Proper organization, a careful division of the town departments for intensive study and a getting together long before the next March meeting with recommendations based upon the actual study and knowledge of conditions, will make possible many economies that they can know nothing about unless they can give such time and study to the whole problem. Andover starts well for 1916.

Editorial Cinders

Andover people are under obligation to the Andover Historical Society for the excellent entertainment given to them under the Society's auspices by Prof. Edward Howard Griggs in his evening of lecture at the Town Hall last week. Our people have been going to Lawrence for a number of years to enjoy Prof. Griggs' course of lectures, and hence they were familiar with his work. The Historical Society was fortunate in being able to have him come to Andover at a much less cost than is usually carried in his charges, resulting in a handsome profit for the work of the Society. By the way, the Society can afford to accumulate a number of such profits as this, because it needs them to work out its plan for the sort of development which will make of it a factor of ever increasing power in the community, not only to serve the historical interests of the town, but as an institution which joins together men and women who themselves make up a great force for good.

Edward Howard Griggs' Lecture

Professor Edward Howard Griggs gave a lecture in the Town Hall, Friday evening, March 3, before a large and appreciative audience. The lecture was under the auspices of the Andover Historical Society. The subject was "The Protest Against Yielding to Fate—Calderon's 'Life is a Dream'."

Prof. Griggs made some remarks about the early life of Calderon, the celebrated dramatist and poet, who was born in the year 1600 and died in 1681. He lived a wild and adventurous life and early in his life he began the composition of his dramas. Calderon's "Life is a Dream," a remarkable drama for stage purposes, was presented on the German Stage in Berlin where Prof. Griggs had the good fortune to see it. This drama represents the King of Poland as a great and wise king who believed in what he read in the stars. He foresaw in the stars the future of his son, and because of this knowledge had him exiled while an infant. As the child grew older he rebelled at this exile and demanded to know why he should be treated in this manner.

Through this drama Prof. Griggs brought out the idea of human freedom, and the protest against yielding to fate. The waking life often interprets itself in the dream life; in dream life the imagination holds sway, and waking life is in control of conscious reason. We are destined to fate in certain ways, by endowment, heredity, etc., but life is largely as one wants it. We should exercise self control, and meet each handicap and not always yield to fate so-called. The situation in Calderon's "Life is a Dream" is just where we find ourselves today, to fulfill the highest ideals and aspirations.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS

Affonso, Mrs. M. E. Tobin, A. A.
Ayres, Mrs. C. D. Townsend, Mrs. Lina
Filchbrown, Mary L. Tilston, H.
Ford, Mrs. Samuel C. Underhill, Charles L.
Pitla, M. J. West, F.
Sweeney, Ida York, Harry M.

PI ETA THEATRICALS

Tickets for the Pi Eta performance which will be given in the town hall on the evening of March 18, are on sale at the Bookstore. This Harvard theatrical association has visited Andover twice before and each time has given a very entertaining performance. The title of this year's production, which is a three-act musical comedy, is, "The Maiden Decides."

J. S. Pfaffmann, P. A. '12, Harvard '16, will play the leading masculine part, and R. C. Cooke and E. A. Chapin, both P. A. '14, Harvard '18, will be in the chorus. W. L. Munro, Jr., manager of Pi Eta, will be seen in the leading feminine part, while J. W. D. Seymour, president of the Harvard Dramatic Club, will play the part of the "villain."

The scene is laid in New York City a century hence, and the plot involves the unique situations which arise upon the awakening of a man and girl who have been in a state of hypnotic sleep for more than a hundred years.

At the conclusion of this play, a one-act farce by J. W. D. Seymour will be given, which portrays in a humorous manner the social situation in Boston today, or rather, the situation as many people like to consider it.

Abbot Academy Recitals

The third concert in the Abbot Academy series will be given in Davis Hall tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon at 3 o'clock, by Miss Myrna Sharlow, soprano of the Chicago Opera Company, Miss Marion Lina Tufts, pianist, of Boston, and Mrs. Herbert W. Smith, assisting as accompanist. The program will be as follows:

Piano	"Menuet"	Dreychock
"Spinning Song" from "The Flying Dutchman"	Wagner-Liszt	
Songs	"Verborgenheit"	Wolf
"Intermezzo"	Schumann	
"Auftrag"	Schumann	
"Le Nil"	Levoux	
"L'Heure delicieuse"	Staub	
Arias	"Batti-Batti" from "Don Juan"	Mosart
"Elle a fui" from "Tales of Hoffman"	Offenbach	
Piano	Grande Polonaise, Opus 22	Chopin
Songs	"Slumber Song"	Gretchaninov
"Zuni Indian Song"	Fraser	
"Lotus Isles"	Mrs. Beach	
"Oh! No John No"	arranged by Cecil Sharp	Horsman
"Bird of the Wilderness"		
Arias	"Un Bel Di" from "Madam Butterfly"	Puccini
Micaela Aria from "Carmen"	Bize	

Miscellaneous Shower

A shower of linens and various other articles was tendered Miss Mary Hunter, Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Edward Fowler of High street. Miss Hunter is soon to be the bride of George Paye of this town.

During the evening Mr. Paye was presented with a smoking set by those present. Vocal selections were given by Miss Macdonald, Miss Mary Kelley and Mrs. Robert Eagle and a reading was given by Miss Mildred Fowler. Miss Eleanor Emmet presided at the piano. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. John Maquire, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Eagle, Misses Hattie Fowler, Edith Taylor, Mary Fowler, Eleanor Emmet, Mary Kelley, Mary Hunter, Catherine Viet, Miss Macdonald; Messrs. Alfred McKee, Frank Nicoll, George Manning, Henry Porter, Phil Pashow.

Grange News

The next meeting of Andover Grange will be held in the Grange hall Tuesday evening, March 14. The lecture hour will be taken up with a debate—Resolved: That we should specialize on one or two crops. Affirmative, Ralph A. Bailey; Negative, Edward W. Burt. Other members will take part in the discussion. Following the debate, papers will be read: "On what footing financial and otherwise, should a young man and woman, who are contemplating marriage and life on a farm, start such an undertaking," by Mrs. John Morrill, Mrs. George Carter, Mrs. Edward W. Boutwell. Music will be furnished by the music committee. All grangers who can come are requested to be present.

Public Health Officers

The Board of Directors of the Andover Public Health Association has chosen the following officers to serve till the annual meeting on April 11:

President, M. W. Stackpole
Vice-President, Mrs. George L. Selden
Secretary, B. M. Allen
Treasurer, Chester W. Holland
Dr. C. E. Abbott has been chosen to represent the Board of Health as one of the directors.

The directors desire to make it clear to the people of Andover that they propose to continue the work of the Visiting Nurse.

Whist Party

An enjoyable progressive whist party was held at the home of Miss Mabel Marshall on Washington Avenue on last Saturday evening. The gathering was favored with some excellent vocal selections by Miss Marshall and J. Everett Collins which were rendered in a pleasing manner. At the conclusion of the progressive whist games, refreshments of ice cream, cake and cookies were served. Among those present were the following:—Misses Grace Stevens, Elizabeth Abbott, Lucy Kendall, Mabel Marshall, Ledy Cheever and Florence Curtis; Messrs. William Holden, J. Everett Collins, Clifford Marshall, Lyman Cheever, Roy Dearborn and James Marshall, Sr.

BOARDS REORGANIZE

New Chairmen for Schools and Public Works. Charles B. Baldwin Elected Secretary of Water Board

Following the Town meeting on Monday the Board of Public Works met on the same evening for the purpose of organization, Barnett Rogers was unanimously chosen chairman, Charles



CHARLES B. BALDWIN
New Member and Secretary of Board of Public Works

B. Baldwin, clerk, and Willis B. Hodgkins, treasurer. The Board as constituted last year was: Thomas E. Rhodes, chairman, Andrew McTernan, clerk and Willis B. Hodgkins, treasurer.

School Committee Organized

The School Committee met Tuesday evening and organized for 1916, with unanimous choice of John C. Angus as chairman, Henry A. Bodwell declining to serve again. George A. Christie was unanimously elected secretary for the ninth consecutive year.

The superintendent reported that fire drills were being regularly held and also that the time occupied in emptying the buildings of pupils was being carefully noted. He stated that from the deed of the land at the Abbott school it appeared that when the building ceased to be used as a school the land reverted to the heirs of the Bailey family. An effort is being made to secure a permanent water supply for the Bailey school, and samples of water from a nearby well are now being analyzed.

The appointment of the various committees for the year was deferred until later.

The financial statement for the month follows:

RECEIPTS	
Appropriation	\$47,000.00
Tuition	255.00
Miscellaneous	39.09
DISBURSEMENTS	
General Expenses	\$ 231.92
Expenses of Instruction	3176.75
Expenses of Operation	276.79
Maintenance	221.52
Transportation	287.44
Tuition, Industrial School	9.99
New Equipment	11.90
Total for the month	\$ 4215.31
Previously expended	4360.65
Total expenditure	\$8575.96
Balance unexpended	\$3718.13
	\$47294.09

Abbot Academy Notes

Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick of the Union Seminary in New York spoke at the meeting Sunday evening in Davis Hall. The speaker next Sunday evening will be Rev. Charles W. Henry. An interesting talk was given the students last Saturday afternoon by Mrs. Stannard, the head of the Garland School of Home Making.

There was a very pretty dance Tuesday evening in Davis Hall, given by the girls of the senior and senior-middle classes.

The third concert in the Abbot Academy series will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in Davis Hall. The artists will be Miss Myrna Sharlow soprano of the Chicago Opera Company; Miss Marion Lina Tufts, pianist, of Boston, and Mrs. Herbert W. Smith, assisting as accompanist.

Free Church—Helping Hand

The Helping Hand Society of the Free church held their monthly meeting Tuesday, March 7th.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Mrs. J. Paine; vice-president, Mrs. H. Riddoch; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. C. Mayer; collector, Mrs. S. Batchelor; directors: Mrs. R. Nicoll, chairman; Mrs. G. Lawson; Mrs. Luke and Mrs. J. McLaren. Tea was served by three of the ladies and a very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all.

R. C. O. A. to Change Quarters

Owing to the increasing number of members and because of the opportunity to secure a better location, the R. C. O. A. will move on the first of April from the present clubrooms on Central street, owned by Dennis Sweeney, to the hall now occupied by the A. O. U. W.

The more elaborate environment of the new clubrooms is sure to result in an increase not only in the membership of this organization but in its popularity in the community.

NO LICENSE RALLY

There was a large audience in the Town hall on last Sunday evening, the occasion being the annual no-license rally held under the auspices of the Andover Civic League.

Dr. Alfred E. Stearns presided and the speakers were Hon. John N. Cole and Dr. George M. Kline, superintendent of the Danvers insane hospital.

Special music was rendered by the Junior choir of the Free church and the male choir of Christ church and prayer was offered by Prof. William H. Ryder.

Dr. Stearns, in his opening remarks spoke of the work of the league in Andover and urged the voters not to overlook the license question that would appear on the ballot Monday.

Mr. Cole's remarks were full of interesting information regarding the evils of intemperance as it affects the state and nation and showed conclusively that much money was wasted through drink. Mr. Cole told how much it cost to support the prisons, hospitals for the mentally feeble, consumptive hospitals and charitable institutions. This alone amounted to a state tax of \$6 for each person and \$30 for each family. He said that statistics showed that about 19 per cent. of the insanity could be laid to intemperance, and that a probable estimate could be placed as high as 40 per cent.

He said that 67 per cent. of the causes for sentences to prisons and jails during 1915 were caused by intemperance, and that the male prisoners from the ages of 17 to 50 wasted 400,000 hours of their time during the same period.

Dr. Kline in opening his address stated that the hospitals were no longer called insane hospitals, but institutions for the mentally sick. He said that the average number of inmates at Danvers was 700, and that the highest number was 1000. He said that 50 per cent. of the mental troubles could be laid directly to the effects of liquor.

In 1913 he said that 20 men and five women out of every hundred committed to Danvers were suffering from troubles caused by alcohol. In 1914 this number was 17.7 per cent. for male and 4.9 per cent. for female patients, and that the averages for both for several years past equalled 18 per cent. He stated that the expense of running Danvers for 1915 equalled \$371,000 and that a larger appropriation had been asked for the present year.

The program:

Opening Remarks,	Dr. Alfred E. Stearns
Hymn,	Junior Choir, Free Church
Prayer,	Prof. Wm. H. Ryder
Response,	Christ Church Choir
Address, "Economic Side of Liquor Traffic,"	Hon. John N. Cole
Anthem, "Hark, Hark, My Soul,"	Bass soloist, Alfred Robb
Chorus, Christ Church choir	
Address,	Dr. Geo. M. Kline, Danvers
Remarks,	Dr. A. E. Stearns
"America"	

Wedding

Miss Margaret M. Cleary and Arthur L. Harkin were united in marriage by Rev. William Donovan at St. Augustine's church, Wednesday, March 1, at 3 o'clock.

Miss Julia A. Cleary, a sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid, and Patrick J. Cleary of Worcester, a brother, was best man.

The happy couple received many costly and useful gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Harkin will reside at 66 High street.

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Communication

To the Editor of The Townsman:
Once more I would ask the privilege of space in the "Townsman" to make the following statement:

"I certainly appreciate the splendid support given me by the voters of Andover at the polls last Monday."

"It is of course unnecessary for me to reiterate what I have already stated publicly, nevertheless this expression of confidence on the part of the voters places on me a responsibility which cannot be ignored."

"Suggestions, if in the public interest, are one means by which the public may voice their approval or disapproval, and while it is poor business for one whose powers might be represented as one-fifth of the whole to act in his individual capacity, I for one shall be glad to consider any matter if presented in proper form, and will put the same before the Board at the first opportunity."

Thanking you, I remain,
Very truly yours,
C. B. BALDWIN.

Men's Clubs Meetings

All the men of Andover are invited to be present at the meeting of the Free Church Men's Club next Tuesday evening, when District Attorney John J. Higgins of Middlesex County will give a talk on "Crimes and Criminals in Massachusetts." The subject is an interesting one and there should be a large attendance.

An address of interest is promised the members of the South Church Men's Club next Friday evening when Jay B. Benton, editor of the Boston Transcript will speak. Mr. Benton comes to Andover on an invitation from Superintendent of Schools J. Francis Allison, a personal friend.

IN LOVING MEMORY
CAROLINE HILTON STUART
March 18, 1914

One of the maddest men we ever saw was a chap who yelled loudly for a square deal and got it.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

ANDOVER MAN SWINDLED

Confederate money, which has been useful to confidence men ever since the Civil war, was used again Wednesday. This time Robert Downs of Andover, a carpenter, paid \$20 for a \$100 Confederate bill, and then landed in the police court because he tried to use the bill to purchase some jewelry he had long wanted.

Downs went to take a job in Cambridge and as he was passing through the North station he saw a bill flutter from the pocket of a man just ahead of him. He picked it up and found it was marked \$100, but he was honest and called to the man. The man seemed to be hard of hearing and didn't turn around.

The Andover man was wondering just what to do when he was approached by a man and told that the find had been witnessed and that \$10 would be about the right "split" for him to make. He gave the stranger \$10 of good money. This man had no sooner departed than another man came along, also a witness of the find, and he received another perfectly good \$10 bill.

The original owner of the \$100 bill was lost in the crowd by this time, and Downs went to a jewelry shop in Seely square and picked out a watch, chain and charm. He had the jewelry wrapped up and tendered the \$100 bill in payment.

When he collected his wits he was in the City Hall avenue station, Boston, with a charge of attempted larceny of the jewelry against him. In court he explained the circumstances surrounding his acquisition of the \$100 Confederate bill, and his case was continued until Friday for investigation.

Fourth Organ Service

The fourth organ service will be given in the Free church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, with Carl F. Pfattheicher, director of music at Phillips Academy, the organist. Mr. Pfattheicher's program will be "The Christian Church Year" in choral preludes by Sigfried Karg-Elert, and will be as follows: Advent—"Sleepers, Wake, for Night is Flying." Christmas—"In Dulce Jubilo." Lent—"Say, Sweeten Jesus." Easter—"Jerusalem, Thou City Fair and High." Whitsuntide—"O Holy Spirit, Enter In." The Church—"A Mighty Fortress is our God."

Andover K. of C. Defeated

In the second tournament of a series of three, the C. Y. M. A. of North Andover defeated the Andover K. of C., at their clubrooms in North Andover last evening, by the score of 18 to 6. North Andover came back strong after the defeat of two weeks ago.

The first part of the evening was spent playing whist, pool, pitch, and forties, after which refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

Members of each club were called upon to speak, and all responded with appropriate remarks. John Alexander finely rendered "She's the Lass for Me," with Fred Doherty playing the accompaniment; but the best number of the evening was the singing of "Sailing Down the Old Green River," by Jack Driscoll of the local organization.

Andover Boy Wins Prize

The Butler-Thwing prize of fifteen dollars, which is awarded annually to that member of the junior class in Phillips Academy who has passed the best examination for admission to the school, has been won this year by Hugh H. Spencer. Spencer was prepared at the Stowe school. Honorable mention is made of the papers of Ira E. Wight, Jr., who prepared at Smith Academy, St. Louis, Missouri.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Miss Agnes Park leaves today for a visit to her nephew in Baltimore.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. James J. Brainerd of Locke street.

Miss Josephine Donovan of Chestnut street spent the week-end with relatives in Boston.

The next rehearsal for the Andover Club Minstrel Show will be held on Monday evening.

Mrs. Sarah MacCreadie of Whittier street entertained several of her friends at whist at her home last Friday evening.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Academy church will meet at Williams Hall, Phillips street, Tuesday, March 14, at 3 o'clock. Miss M. H. Clark of Lawrence will speak on "City Missions."

The people of Andover have had a good opportunity to judge what kind of cooks the South church has. The King's Daughters are to hold a bakery sale, Friday, March 17, from 2 to 6 p.m., at Ames' Butter Store, and hope that it will be as great a success as the suppers have been.

Tickets for the Andover Club Minstrel Show are going rapidly and those desiring them should purchase at once as they are limited. The show will be held on the evening of March 24, in the town hall. Reserved seats may be procured at the Andover Bookstore on or after Monday, March 20, at 8 a.m.

Rattlesnake Kills Eagle

An eagle, the wings of which measured more than seven feet from tip to tip, was worsted recently by a mother rattlesnake near Tarentum, Pa., when the pirate of the air tried to seize several little rattlers which the mother was protecting. The eagle swooped to the ground and attempted to seize several of the baby snakes in its talons. Before it could rise, however, the mother had struck, burying her fangs in the eagle's breast. The big bird rose to a dizzy height, faltered and plunged to the earth, dead.

"DADDY LONG LEGS"

Miss Maclaren Entertained Large Audience in R.C.O.A. Course With Splendid Performance

The entertainment given by Miss Gay Zenola MacLaren in the R. C. O. A. course, in the town hall last evening, was one of the most delightful to the large audience, in the course. The entertainer presented the well-known play,



"Daddy Long Legs", taking the part of each of the characters. She is an unusually gifted young lady, possessing unique genius and a peculiar art in presenting characters of various types.

The cast in the play follows:

Mrs. Lippett—Matron of the John Grier Orphan Home.
Judy Abbott, Freddy Perkins, Gladys Murphy, Sadie Kate—Orphans in the Home.
Mr. Jervis Pendleton—A Millionaire Bachelor.
Miss Pritchard—Interested in the Home.
Mr. Trull—One of the Trustees.
Julia Pendleton, Sally MacBride—College Girls.
Mrs. Pendleton—Julia's Mother.
Jimmy MacBride—Sally's brother.
Mrs. Semple—Of Lock Willow Farm.
Scenes
Act 1 Scene—The dining-room of the John Grier Orphan Home.
Act 2 Scene—The girls' study at college.
Act 3 Scene—Mrs. Semple's cottage at Lock Willow Farm.
Act 4 Scene—Jervis Pendleton's Library.

Enjoyable Party

A number of friends of Miss Jennie Dugan gathered at her home on last Thursday evening where a social good time was enjoyed by all present.

Piano selections were given by Miss Annie Goldstein; Isabel Carrie rendered several selections on the violin in an excellent manner, and Marjorie Markey and Helen Cussen gave several vocal selections which added a great deal of enjoyment to the evening. Dancing was enjoyed after which refreshments were served and the party broke up at a seasonable hour.

Among those present were:—Misses Isabel Carrie, Helen Cussen, Marjorie Markey, Janet Carrie, Esther Stack, Marguerite Donovan, Nellie O'Connor, Annie Goldstein, Lillian Allicon, Eleanor Dugan, Jennie Dugan and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dugan.

Electricity in Surgery

Electricity is extensively used in modern surgery. Indeed, it would be difficult to get along without it. Without the X-ray machine it would be impossible to accurately locate foreign substances in the body, and to properly reduce difficult fractures of the bones. X-ray photos are also extensively used in diagnosing a large number of other ailments, such as tumors, cancers, etc.

Another electric aid to surgery is the powerful magnet used to extract bits of steel from the eye, or flesh. This device is now extensively used in the hospitals of the European war for removing bits of shrapnel steel and steel jacketed bullets from wounds. Before the magnet came into use these bits of iron and steel had to be removed by probing and cutting. With the magnet it is a very simple matter to extract such particles. The injured portion of the body is placed near the pole tip of the magnet, the switch closed, and the magnet does

PHILLIPS ACADEMY NOTES

With the completion of the rifle range in the basement of Pearson Hall, the Rifle Club has moved into its new quarters there and the members have been practicing each evening during the past week. The new range is 75 feet in length and has six targets, permitting twice as many men as before to practice. The most prominent features of the new range is the travelling target system, which enables each marksman, after making a shot, to record it when the target is automatically brought back to him. After he has examined the target, it returns to position for the next shot. This system does away with all possible danger of men stepping out in front of rifles to record their marks. Six cushioned tables are included in the equipment, which are used for shooting from the prone position.

Last Sunday evening the Society of Inquiry entertained the members of the faculty and of the school at an informal reception in the Peabody House. The fellows were given the opportunity to meet the faculty in a social way and to hear several talks by various professors and by Dr. Folsdick, the preacher at both services last Sunday.

Last Saturday evening an indoor track meet was held for all those fellows in the school who were under 16 years of age. The purpose of this was to see what kind of material exists at the present time, which might be developed for next year's track team. The novel meet was a success in that it assured Coach Blanchard that there is some very promising athletes among the younger members of the Academy. Tebbetts and Tison were the best performers, the former winning three first places, while the latter secured two.

In one of the best meets of the present season, the swimming team last Saturday afternoon won a well earned victory over the Huntington school by the score of 34-17. The best race of the day developed in the relay which was the first event scheduled. Phillips started for Andover against Vogel of Huntington and the two raced the length of the pool absolutely evenly, giving Woods of Andover and O'Hara of Huntington simultaneous starts. Woods managed to gain a scant foot over his rival and Buckley increased this lead to about four feet ahead of Harper. Fullerton plunged into the water on the last leg ahead of Captain Marling of Huntington and although the latter gained about a yard, Fullerton held his lead and touched the end of the tank first. Winning this event gave Andover over an 8 point lead which was increased as the meet progressed.

Manager P. E. Frouche, Jr., of Exeter has just announced the baseball schedule, which includes 13 games and one open date, all of which will be played at Exeter, except the Harvard Freshmen, at Cambridge; and Andover at Andover. The schedule is as follows: April 22: Morris Heights High School; April 26: Lowell Textile School; April 29: Yale 1919; May 3: Dean Academy; May 5: Princeton 1919; May 10: Cushing Academy; May 13: Harvard 1919, at Cambridge; May 17: Holy Cross, 1919; May 20: St. Anselm's College; May 24: Dartmouth, 1919; May 27: Open; May 31: Rindge Technical School; June 3: Andover at Andover.

The pole is removable, a number of different shapes being supplied for various classes of work.

Flying bits of metal often lodge in the eye. Should they strike with force enough to become embedded, their removal, without the aid of a powerful magnet, is apt to be difficult as well as painful. The protective coating of the eye must be cut and there is always danger that the particles may be pushed further.

Modern Bungalows

In these modern days when all unite in praise of the compact bungalow, there may be some consolation in the following episode for those unfortunate ones who by inheritance or bad judgment are burdened with a larger type of architecture. Soon after a heavy snow storm one of the younger legal lights of this city was seen out in the back lot anxiously shoveling the snow about. A neighbor passing, hailed him with: "What's the matter B—, lost anything?" "Nothing much," the young man called back. "I'm just trying to find my bungalow."—Kennebec Journal.

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Home Work Bulletin

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The following studies are presented in this bulletin:

Outline of the Work of the Department.
Extent of the Work of the Department.

Analysis of Materials Secured in the Process of Granting Licenses for Home Work on Wearing Apparel.
Summary of Findings and Conclusions.

Proposed Legislation.
This is a very interesting publication and can be furnished free upon application to the State Board of Labor and Industries, 1 Beacon St., Boston.

Not Far Wrong

"What is meant by the lap of luxury?" asked a teacher of a class of little girls.

"Please, ma'am, I know," exclaimed the smallest of the lot, holding up her hand.

"Well, what is it, dear?" inquired the teacher, kindly.

"It's when the cat steals into the larder and licks the cream off the milk," responded the little one.

And the teacher, on reflection, wasn't quite sure that her pupil was wrong.—Stray Stories.

Why He Complained

"Look here, you're the fellow who took my overcoat from the club the other day!"

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ANDOVER CHURCHES



SERVICES FOR COMING WEEK

SOUTH CHURCH
Central Street
Congregational. Organized 1711
Rev. E. Victor Biglow, Minister

10.30. Morning worship. Sermon by Rev. Austin Rice of Wakefield in exchange with the minister.
12.00. Sunday School and Minister's Discussion class.
6.30. Christian Endeavor.
Wednesday 7.45. Prayer meeting.
Thursday 3.30. Home Missionary meeting for the Women's Union.
Thursday 7.45. Choir rehearsal.
Friday 7.45. Men's club. Jay. B. Benton Editor of Boston Transcript.

FREE CHURCH
Elm Street
Congregational. Organized 1846
Rev. Frederick A. Wilson, Pastor

10.30. Worship with sermon by Rev. John M. Kyle of Lowell.
12.00. The Church School.
3.00. The Junior Endeavor Society.
4.00. Organ service by Carl F. Platteicher.
Monday 7.30. The Young Ladies' Dorcas Circle.
Tuesday 7.45. The Men's Club. Address by Hon. John J. Higgins on "Crimes and Criminals in Middlesex County."
Wednesday 7.45. The Mid-week service. Address by Rev. A. C. Ferrin of Lowell.

NORTH PARISH CHURCH
No. Andover Centre
Unitarian. Organized 1645
Rev. Wm. S. Nichols, Minister

10.30. Morning worship.
11.45. Sunday School.
Electric cars from Elm Square connect at Wilson's Corner going both ways. Take car leaving Elm Square at 10.15 and transfer to North Andover. A cordial welcome to all.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Organized 1832
Rev. W. E. Lombard, Pastor

10.30. Preaching by the pastor.
12.00. Sunday School.
6.30. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.30. Gospel meeting. Three Railroad men will speak. Special singing.
Wednesday 7.30. Prayer meeting.

NEWS OF ANDOVER SUBURBS

ABBOTT VILLAGE

Miss Rose Perkins is ill at her home in the Hillside.

Mrs. William Anderson is seriously ill at her home on Lewis street.

Edwin J. Anderson of School street spent the week-end in Lowell.

John Bailey of North Main street has started as fireman at the flax mill.

Augustine Sullivan of the Smith & Dove office visited in Boston Wednesday.

Miss Catherine Stan of Hillside spent the week-end with relatives in Jamaica Plain.

Miss Margaret Black of Lowell, visited at her home on Brechin Terrace this week.

Mrs. William Sterling, Jr., has returned to her work after an attack of the gripe.

Charles Low of Beverly spent the week-end at the home of John Ness on Red Spring road.

James Adams of Lynn visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Haddon on Essex street Sunday.

Miss Annie Haddon of Essex street has accepted a position in the office of the Tey Rubber Company.

The meeting of Pride of Andover Juvenile Lodge was postponed on account of the severe snow storm Wednesday.

Miss Jessie Low of Beverly spent the week-end at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Bailey, of North Main street.

Mrs. James Fraser has returned to her home on Shawshen road after being several weeks in the Lawrence General Hospital.

Because of the Town meeting Monday the meeting of the Andover football club was not held. A regular meeting will be held in the village hall one week from Monday, March 20.

PHILLIPS ACADEMY CHAPEL
"On the Hill"
Markham W. Stackpole School Minister

10.30. Morning Service with sermon by the school minister.
11.45. Sunday School in Pearson Hall.
5.15. Vesper service with address by the school minister.
Wednesday 5.00. Recital.

WEST CHURCH
Congregational. Organized 1826
Rev. Newman Matthews, Pastor

10.30. Public worship with the communion of the Lord's supper.
12.00. Sunday School.
7.00. C. E. meeting, led by Mrs. Matthews.
Thursday 7.30. Supper and social of the Seamen's Friend Society.

CHRIST CHURCH
Central Street
Episcopal. Organized 1835
Rector, Rev. C. W. Henry

9.00. Holy communion.
10.30. Morning prayer and sermon.
12.00. Sunday School.
5.00. Evening prayer and address.
Wednesday 4.00. Children's service.
Wednesday 7.45. Evening prayer and address.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH
Essex Street
Roman Catholic. Organized 1850
Rev. Fr. Riordan, Pastor
Assistants
Rev. William Donovan
Rev. Daniel J. Fogarty

6.30. Sunday. Mass and instruction.
8.30. Mass and instruction.
Sunday School to follow.
10.30. High mass and sermon.
2.45. Children of Mary Sodality meeting each Sunday.
3.30. Vespers, rosary, and benediction.
7.30. Thursday. Holy Hour devotion.
First Sunday of month, Communion day for Sacred Heart Sodality.
Second Sunday of month, Communion day for Knights of Good Counsel.
Third Sunday of month, Communion day for Holy Name Society.
Fourth Sunday of month, Communion day for Children of Mary.
Holy Name Society meets fourth Monday evening of each month.
Sacred Heart Sodality meets first Friday evening of each month.
Knights of Good Counsel meet second Wednesday evening of each month.
Promoters of Propagation of the Faith, second Thursday evening of each month.
Altar boys meet first Monday evening of each month.

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WEST PARISH

Mrs. Malcolm of Lowell street, who has been quite sick, is slowly recovering.

The meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the West church which was to be held at Mrs. Carter's was postponed until a later date on account of the bad roads.

The many friends of Rev. Newman Matthews, pastor of the West church, will be pleased to know that he is rapidly recovering from a severe attack of gripe.

The meeting of the Community Club of the Bailey district will be postponed until a later date on account of the storm and bad roads. Mrs. E. V. French of Andover was to speak on "Club Work."

The next social under the auspices of the Seamen's Friend Society will be held in the vestry Thursday evening, March 16. The supper and entertainment will be in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Huggins, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Corliss, and Mr. and Mrs. George D. Ward.

Years ago when our fathers were young, if the swallows flew low, there would be rain; if there was a circle around the moon, if vegetables boiled dry quickly, were also sure signs of rain. Seldom did it fail to come. But of late years all these signs have failed, and the old groundhog seemed to be the only weather prophet we had left, and surely this winter even that appears to be false. There were plenty of good folk out Wednesday, hoping for spring, and caught in perhaps the worst snowstorm of the season.

Quite a number of West Parish people attended the lectures at the Essex County Agricultural School at Danvers on Wednesday of this week. The speakers and subjects were too numerous to mention; suffice it to say "they were all good", and the only regret one has is that he can't hear them all. Those present from the Parish were Mr. and Mrs. George D. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Averill, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Carter, Edward W. Burt, Edward W. Boutwell, Mrs. John Henderson, William B. Corliss, Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. Merrick, Leon Hardy, Renwick Henderson, and Phillip Peterson.

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BOWLING

Clan Johnston

Team 3 took three out of the four points from team 4 in a Clan Johnston bowling league match on the Essex Street alleys on last Monday evening. Jackson and Dea excelled for the winners while Skea and Low starred for the losers. Skea had the highest single with 129 as well as the highest three string total, with 316. The scores: Team 3: 378, 341, 243; Jackson, 268; Dea, 293; MacKenzie, 266.
Team 4: 331, 313, 368—1012.
Thompson, 214; Low, 263; Renney, 219; Skea, 316.

Team 2 and team 1 split the four points in the bowling match rolled on the Essex Street alleys on last Tuesday evening. The game was very closely contested and team 2 secured only two pins more than team 1 in the total pinfall. Ross and Kydd excelled for team 2 while Cairnie and Skea rolled in splendid form for team 1. The scores: Team 2: 437, 448, 440—1325.
Totals: Duncan, 244; Kydd, 269; Caldwell, 250; Low, 257; Ross, 305.
Team 1: 431, 448, 444—1323.
Totals: Holden, 225; Hutcheson, 255; Skea, 279; Downs, 248; Cairnie, 316.

The Royals took all four points from the Elks in a bowling match on the Essex Street alleys on last Tuesday evening. Porter of the Royals had the highest three string total with 303 as well as the highest single with 106. Stack also rolled well for the Royals. For the Elks Keefe and Daley excelled. The scores: Royals: 443, 473, 451—1367.
Totals: Alexander, 265; Cole, 264; Porter, 303; O'Connell, 248; Stack, 287.
Elks: 420, 442, 448—1310.
Totals: MacLeish, 231; Eldred, 257; Keefe, 285; Berry, 255; Daley, 282.

Tigers vs. Wildcats
The Tigers bowling team captured three out of the four points from the Wildcats on the Essex Street alleys on last Friday evening. Nicoll and McGinty rolled in excellent form for the winners while Donovan and Nicoll starred for the losers. The scores: Tigers: 439, 463, 443—1345.
Totals: Low, 250; Nicoll, 291; Doherty, 269; Cashan, 239; McGinty, 296.
Wildcats: 439, 446, 453—1338.
Totals: Nicoll, 271; Daly, 254; Donovan, 294; Ness, 264; McBride, 255.

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Repair: 425, 427, 431—1283.
J. Nicoll 262; Guthrie 266; Hart 257; Ness 243; Connolly 265.
Spinning: 394, 388, 382—1164.
Campbell 248; James Moore 227; Nicoll 241; John Moore 225; Valentine 223.

A special ten string match was rolled on the Hillside alleys between W. Valentine and Alex Ness against A. Valentine and John Nicoll. Both sides won five strings each but the former won the total pinfall by 33 pins. The score: W. Valentine 875; Alex Ness 889; A. Valentine 892; J. Nicoll 841.

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Tigers vs. Wildcats

The Tigers bowling team captured three out of the four points from the Wildcats on the Essex Street alleys on last Friday evening. Nicoll and McGinty rolled in excellent form for the winners while Donovan and Nicoll starred for the losers. The scores: Tigers: 439, 463, 443—1345.
Totals: Low, 250; Nicoll, 291; Doherty, 269; Cashan, 239; McGinty, 296.
Wildcats: 439, 446, 453—1338.
Totals: Nicoll, 271; Daly, 254; Donovan, 294; Ness, 264; McBride, 255.

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The Easiest Way

Hub—I borrowed another \$100 from your father today.
Wife—What for?
Hub—I'm trying to get out of debt.

The Blind Man and His Son
(L'AVEUGLE ET SON FILS
By E. Cammerarts, the Belgian Poet)

"The hostile cannons' distant roar
I can no longer hear—
What land is this, my dear?"
"O father, this is England's shore."

"I hear no more the roaring blast
In rigging howl with glee;
My halting feet have felt at last
The sands that rim the sea.
Will misery haunt our steps no more?"
"O father, this is England's shore."

"And words I hear that kindness show,
But cannot comprehend;
I feel so far from home, you know—
Whence come these sounds, my friend,
Familiar seeming, heard before?"
"O father, this is England's shore."

"I feel the perfumed air breathe
The freedom of the land;
I feel the strings upon my lyre
A quiver in my hand.
The birds, the trees, the purring streams,
All speak to me of home.
Why fades my bitter pain like dreams?
Why sweet, no more to roam?"
"Dear father, this is England's home."

"Come, bow, my son, and kneel with me;
In fingers sore with cruel wound
Take each a bit of friendly ground:
We'll think of home and fatherland,
And kiss the soil of England."

C. H. F.

Baptist Church Notes

Rev. Walter B. Bullen, a missionary from Japan, spoke at the Baptist church last Sunday morning. A few thoughts are culled from his inspiring address. Because of Japan's civilization, there is no medical or industrial missionary work, but much need for educational, social, and evangelistic work. The spirit of this last characterizes all the other work: the great work of the Kingdom can be advanced by almost anything that can be done. The missionary is an object of interest to all; everything he does is criticized, and inferences drawn, for or against Christianity. Every little act may have its part in hastening or retarding the great end. Suppose my rickshaw man is unreasonable: I have to consider that I am a representative of Christ, and that what I do or say may effect the Kingdom. Take this home to yourselves. If our supreme purpose be obedience to Christ and the building up of His Kingdom, everything may count toward the winning of men and the spreading of the gospel. It is a great achievement to turn anyone to Christ. Of all classes in Japan, the old women are hardest to reach; brought up in the old days, before Japan had become the progressive country it is now, they cling fast to early ideas.

Mr. Bullen gave several instances of great transformations in lives that were won for Christ, of some of these old women, and of men. With sympathy toward all, they became full of zeal and power; one, a terror to the neighborhood, became a deacon in the church. The speaker closed by saying, "If Christianity is to spread in Japan, it must be to people like these, and I suppose this is true in Andover." A comment made on this was, "Missions are nothing in the world but persuading men to believe in Christ, the special work of the deacons and the rest of us."

Mr. Bullen spoke to the Sunday School a few minutes on the idols of the Japanese. There are many, they mean something to these people. We should not ridicule them, but help to show the people something better, something satisfying.

Next Sunday evening an unusual service will be held, spoken of as a "railroad gospel train." Men in railroad service will show what Christ means to them and how they labor in His service. All are cordially invited to come and see what this gospel train is like. Fill the church up to the doors.

Farmers' Week Milk, Cream and Butter Show

Milk producers will be interested in the Milk, Cream and Butter Show to be held in connection with Farmers' Week at the Massachusetts Agricultural College. The show itself is scheduled for March 14, 15 and 16. There will be five classes—1, Milk from one or more cows; 2, Milk from 10 or more cows; 4, Pasteurized Milk; 5, Cream; and 6, Dairy Butter. In each class except No. 4, there will be five cash prizes, \$10, \$5, \$4, \$3, and \$2 and ribbons. In Class No. 4, ribbons only. The milk for exhibit must be milked on March 6, and the butter must be in Amherst not later than Saturday, March 11. A special announcement of the show and further details can be secured from W. P. B. Lockwood, Amherst, Mass., who is in charge.

Farmers' Week Potato Show

The annual Farmers' Week Potato Show at the Massachusetts Agricultural College will be held March 13 to 17 at Amherst. There will be three classes—A, Market Class; B, Seed Class; C, Class for Diseased Specimens. In Class A, cooking and quality will count 50 per cent, and other market qualities 50 per cent. In Class B, freedom from disease will count 50 per cent, and other seed qualities 50 per cent. Class C is largely for the purpose of identification of diseases and is educational rather than competitive. Ribbons will be awarded. All exhibits should be in Amherst not later than March 10. Entry blanks and further details can be secured from E. D. Waid, Amherst, Mass.

Farmers' Week Corn Show

The Corn Show which is to be held March 13-17 in connection with Farmers' Week at the Massachusetts Agricultural College offers every corn grower an excellent opportunity to have his seed corn subjected to the germination test. Class A consists of 40-car exhibits upon which this test will be made and the results, showing the percentage of germination and also the vitality and vigor of the young shoots, will be shown, each ear being numbered to correspond with the square earth in which the young plants sprouted from it are shown. All exhibits for this class must be in Amherst by March 4. There will also be a unique popping test for pop-corn with the results on exhibit during the week. For this 12-car exhibits should be sent to arrive not later than March 4. Class B will be 10-car exhibits of flint, dent and sweet corn which should arrive by March 11. Ribbons will be awarded. For further details and entry blanks write Earl Jones, M. A. C. Amherst, Mass.

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Progress of Savings Bank Life Insurance

Doctor Malcolm Seymour of Boston has been appointed State Medical Director to fill the position made vacant by the resignation of Doctor Horace A. Arnold. This appointment was confirmed by the Governor and Council on March 1st.

Doctor Seymour was graduated from the Harvard Medical School in 1904; was house officer at Boston City Hospital from 1905 to 1907. Since 1909 he has been Medical Examiner for Savings Bank Life Insurance in Boston and vicinity.

The Savings Insurance Banks for the month of February issued 666 life insurance policies. The amount of insurance was \$405,056. This is more than twice the amount issued in any previous month.

The very low cost of this insurance has brought applications from all parts of the State.

Literature provided by the Commonwealth may be obtained by writing to Savings Bank Life Insurance, Room 507, State House, Boston.

World's Leading Tobacco Town

Winston-Salem, N. C., now manufactures more tobacco products than any other city in the world.

Following are extracts from an address delivered by Col. A. D. Watts, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Fifth District of North Carolina, at a smoker given by The Twin City Club, Winston-Salem, February 4, 1916:

"Winston-Salem is supplying one-fourth of all the chewing and smoking tobacco consumed in the United States, besides exporting vast quantities to foreign lands. This statement is taken from the report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue for the first quarter of the present fiscal year and from private advices from Washington, as to second quarter, which ended December 31st, last.

"Your city is making one-seventh of all tobacco products—chewing and smoking tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and snuff—manufactured in the United States. Your manufacturers are paying on an average about \$37,000 a day revenue taxes to the government and the amount is increasing from month to month. When your government building, much the handsomest in the State, was completed last July at a cost of \$250,000 your newspapers made the statement that the taxes paid in your city to Uncle Sam for the first eight days of its occupancy would pay for it. Since September, it has taken only a fraction over seven average days collections here to equal its cost. So far this week, Mr.

THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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Mr. Dodge: "I would like to ask the Superintendent if the browntail moth is on the increase or decrease. Why spend money year after year if we are not getting anywhere? If we are making some improvement, then I would spend the money."

Mr. Playdon: "In regard to browntail moths, they are very much on the decrease. As to the gypsy it is a hard proposition."

Mr. Eames: "I should like to have the Superintendent come over here before that motion is put."

Letter from State Forester read by Selectman.

Tree Warden, Gypsy and Browntail Moth Department, \$3500.00 voted.

Water Department: Maintenance, \$11,000.00; Construction, \$1500.00; Sinking Fund, \$750.00 voted.

County and State Taxes as estimated. Article 4 taken up.

Article 4.—To see if the town will accept the provisions of Sections 1, 2, and 4, and the eight following sections of Chapter 655, Acts of 1913, and appoint a committee of five (5) to be known as the Committee on Building Laws, said committee to submit a printed report to the voters on or before March 1, 1917. That the sum of \$25 be appropriated for the expenses of said committee, upon petition of the Selectmen.

Mr. Eames: "In talking with parties it is thought if we adopt Section 1 it would probably cover all that is intended. Of course, at the present time we have no building laws, and something must be done in this line to keep out undesirable building that might come into the town. I move that the town accept this provision." Accepted.

Article 5 taken up. Fire alarm box.

Article 5.—To see if the town will appropriate money for a fire alarm box to be located on South Main Street, near Gould Road, on petition of Harry W. Hayward and others.

\$350 approved by Finance Committee.

Mr. Cole: "I move that the sum be appropriated. Mr. Moderator." Article voted.

Article 6 taken up.

Article 6.—To see if the town will appropriate the sum of two thousand (\$2000) dollars for the extension of the macadam road on Salem Street and Jenkins Road, on petition of Everett W. Ricker and others.

Mr. Ricker: "This road needs repairs. I sent a letter to the Board of Public Works and received no answer. I want to see this go through and have Salem Street and Jenkins Road fixed up as far as possible."

Voted to refer to Board of Public Works.

Article 7 taken up.

RIVER ROAD MACADAM

Article 7.—To see if the town will appropriate \$3500 to macadam River Road from Martin Lydon's to Fish Brook and repair the River Road to the Tewksbury line, on petition of Samuel H. Boutwell and others.

Mr. Boutwell: "The Finance Committee knew nothing about this and I supposed the Board of Public Works would say something about the roads in this section. The River road has been in such condition during the last year, and you might say two years and back further, that many have to go around it. The condition of this road is very bad in this respect, it has a very springy soil, the bed of the road is worn out. The water stands upon the sides of the road and the wheels go right through it, so it is very difficult to make use of it. We have to load our teams with regard to that patch of road. If we get too much we know we are hung up there. It's an inconvenience to people. Now the amount called for is \$3500.00. I consider that the Board of Public Works should extend the macadam from Lydon's to Fish Brook. As I happen to have been born and brought up there, and have spent my days in that section of the town, I know the conditions of the roads from A to Z, and I know very well they are in bad condition. I can sit in my house and in my mind's eye see all the roads in that section of the town. Now what we ask is for the appropriation of \$3500.00 that it may complete the macadam from away up along to the Chandler road. I think it has been said by some that we should put in gravel. Some road-builders say gravel would be more expensive as there is no gravel without hauling it from a great distance. You should be willing to put that little stretch of road into fair repair, that we may not be inconvenienced as we have been in the past. I don't care whether it is taken from the appropriation or whether an extra appropriation is made to cover it. I think it would be more satisfactory if an extra appropriation is made. It might increase the tax rate a fraction of a dollar, some might say. I believe it is something that should be attended to very soon. Now the road from there on has not been macadamized and has been neglected. Nothing has been done to it, so that it needs repair badly. At the same time, it is so much better than the other road that we are willing to put up with it, the horses even smile at it. You can see from the way the horses stop that they feel it inside, if they do not show it on their lips. What is the result? It is turning the travel on the upper side of the river. Many teams go down from Lowell. Now it is right, is it to the credit of the town that we leave a road which is a main road between the cities of Lowell and Lawrence (six miles distance between) like that? Now we should put that road into condition so that it would be a credit to the town rather than a disgrace to it. In spite of attention being called to it, nothing has been done on that section otherwise than to put tar on the piece of road to Lawrence. Better if it had been left off. The horses simply have to slide there. Now I ask for this appropriation and I believe that the common sense of this town should be willing to grant it. I believe that the common sense of the town is that all parts of the town should be treated well and all should have a fair share of the expenses. We get little from much of the money appropriated and our highways represent most of what West Parish needs and gets. We simply ask

fairness and justice, and I know the common sense of the town will grant it."

Mr. Cole: "May I ask the chairman of the Board of Selectmen if any provision has been made to take this road over and construct a State highway between the cities of Lawrence and Lowell?"

Mr. Eames: "I can only say in answer, we pressed them to join with us in building Lowell street and were given to understand they would take this up with us after Lowell street is done."

Mr. Cole: "I do not think we ought to lose sight of that. I think no one can ride over that road without having a great deal of sympathy for the men who do business over that highway, but I don't think the town ought to go into it without realizing what it means. We hear considerable criticism of the management of city government, and yet the city of Boston is obliged to go to the Legislature when she comes up to extraordinary demands like this, and this very year she is asking for the right to add to her tax rate 50 cents on the \$1000 for the purpose of improving her highways, while Andover has in the last year increased her tax rate \$2 on the thousand, for the purpose of improving highways. We have carried this expense from \$20,000 to nearly \$40,000, without any conception of what we were doing, and we ought not to go further into this without appreciating what the burden is. I am willing to stand my share of it. If we make all these appropriations we will have added within three years nearly \$3 on the thousand for every taxpayer in this town, to be expended on the highways of the town. I am sorry we have not a detailed progressive plan before us, properly worked out by the Board of Public Works and covering a number of years. They have given us this year better roads in the center of the town, certainly those needed repairs very much, but if the State and County are to come in here and assume a part of the burden of building a through road, and we are to get from them this year \$10,000 on Lowell street, it seems to me we ought to go a little slow before we still further add to this local burden."

Mr. Rhodes: "I realize conditions of the roads in the center of the town. Now I have traveled the town pretty well and thought I realized the necessity of having good roads on the River road. We will get it done if the town will support the Board of Public Works. Now when the center streets are done it will be most likely the River road next. We realize that the town of Andover can't be extravagant in the highway appropriation, but when you come to realize the small amount of money appropriated by the town of Andover the last fifteen or twenty years, it is time for something to be done. There is no part of the town of Andover that so much needs road maintenance and road construction as that within a mile radius of this town house. There are more miles of poor road than in any other part of Andover. In West Andover the River road is bad for nearly three miles, all macadam road there. We have preserved one and a half miles of that road. The other part that was macadamized we considered was not in condition to be saved. It required all new construction, would have to be torn out and of course it would not cost any more five years from now than it would today. Now I ask the citizens of Andover how much macadam road has been built in the center of the town outside of Main and Elm streets? And the Street Railway tax is responsible for most of that. In fact, if we had not spent some of the Street Railway money on other streets, we would be worse off than we are on the center streets. You have built other streets and in the springtime they are just as muddy. In the town of Andover, the Board of Public Works cannot make out any plans ahead, plans might be changed. We calculate what shall be done the next year, and these streets we have provided for. There is not a man in Andover but will say they needed repair. It seems to me we ought to wait and see what we can do. We do not want to do patchwork on the road. Now it seems to me it would be well for the town to wait on the River road and if we can get the County and State to pay two-thirds it will save the town of Andover considerable. As far as our regular appropriations are concerned, do not see how they can take on any other work."

Mr. Cole: "I would like to ask the Superintendent of Public Works how much it would cost to put new surfacing on the River road. How much it would take to put it in shape for a year or two."

Supt. of Public Works: "For something about \$250.00, that road can be put in shape to go for several years, and in regard to the County and State helping, I have talked this matter over and have been to Boston on special occasions, and there is no question in my mind but after Lowell street is fixed they will start on River road."

Mr. Cole: "I am confident that the work will be done as promised these gentlemen, for I have the same assurances, when the work is done on Lowell street. Under the circumstances it seems to me our good friends in West Parish should be satisfied to have repairs made now. I move that the sum of \$300.00 be appropriated under Article 7."

Mr. Boutwell: "I think if our request has waked up the Board of Public Works it is a good thing. Now so far as we are concerned, if the River road is to become State road, well and good, if we wait for Lowell street to be finished, of course there is a few years ahead, but if they will fix that road for general use in any way I am willing to surrender, for we have done more than we expected to do."

Mr. Cole's amendment that \$300.00 be appropriated was voted.

Article 8 taken up.

Article 8.—To see if the town will appropriate \$1000 to repair Bailey Road to Tewksbury line, Pleasant Street to Boutwell Road, and Boutwell Road to River Road, on petition of James E. Dodge and others.

Mr. Dodge: "I am very much pleased to know the Board of Public Works have at last realized some of our needs, and move that this be referred to the Board of Public Works." Voted.

Article 9 taken up.

Article 9.—To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$5000 to macadam Lowell Street, on petition of the Board of Public Works.

Mr. Rhodes: "I move that the sum of \$5000 be appropriated. This, of course, is conditional that the State and County come up with the same amount."

Mr. Cole: "I think I understand that the County gives the same amount and the State the same amount, is that right?"

Moderator: "Yes; that is right."

Mr. Cole: "I think the motion should be so worded."

Mr. Rhodes: "That is my intention."

Moderator: "That the town appropriate the sum of \$5000.00, the amount to be used not to exceed \$5000.00, or such an amount as shall be contributed by the State and County."

Article voted.

Article 10 taken up. Erection of new high school building.

Article 10.—To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to erect a new high school building, and to act upon its recommendations as follows:—That the town shall vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the purpose of building and equipping a new high school building to be located on land in front of the present Pynchard School building; to make any changes deemed necessary to preserve and use the present Pynchard School building; and to make any necessary changes in the Central Heating Plant and its connections.

Mr. Bodwell: "I think it is unnecessary to spend much time now on the question of the need of a new building. It was gone over very carefully last year and the majority voted to build a new high school. It seems unnecessary to discuss this, we have got to have it. Under last year's action this committee was appointed to consider the matter. No funds were provided for the committee. We therefore come before you without any definite plans, but we have tried to find a use for the old building, to see if we can utilize it. Previous consideration of the question by the School Committee last year, we seemed to feel that we should not break the line of the location of the school and that is one reason why we stated last year that the old building should be removed or torn down. It cost so much to move it that it would not be wise to do that. Then we took up the matter of the best location for a building of this kind. We consulted with Olmstead Bros., and their advice to us was we could place the new building in front of the present building. This building would be the most imposing one of the group. They considered the matter with reference to leaving the old building where it is, and building a new building without touching the old building, and in their opinion that was entirely feasible. If the new building should be in front of the present building and not connected, leaving a few feet between, that will bring the front of the new building somewhere in the vicinity of 150 feet from the sidewalk on Bartlett street, so the appearance will be satisfactory. Another advantage in this plan is that the old building could be used while the new building is being constructed. As we advocated last year, we shall build the new building so that wings could be added to the building without destroying the symmetry, and plans should be made for growth. The new building will add a considerable number of new pupils to the school. If we can build it for fifteen or twenty-five years, now is the time to do it. As I have said before, to work out the details of this building calls for the services of an architect, and as we have not been able to secure any such services, we cannot give you any information on price of building. The matter was gone over very carefully last year, type of building required, etc., was gone over carefully, and it should not take the committee long to get things into shape. Regarding a committee of five to handle this thing, that seems better than three or nine. It would require that this committee start work at once in order to have the school ready for occupancy in September, 1917. It would take about a year to build. Therefore, we must take prompt action in getting this started."

Moderator: "Is it to be one motion or three, do I understand?"

Mr. Bodwell: "My first motion is to include the first paragraph in the warrant, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000."

Mr. Frost: "I quite fancy, gentlemen, from the look on your faces, you expect me to object to this appropriation, but it would do no good to object. I rise in favor of this vote. It is a very different proposition the committee has before us now than that of last year. In conference with a man of your old committee I was told that you were unanimous in the belief that the old building should be utterly demolished. Now I felt that was a great waste. I objected to it. Now during the past year prosperity has come, and owing to prosperity, and our town being in better condition financially, I favor this article. I do not object to having larger accommodation for our high school. It was cramped and we saw that there must be some change, but I was utterly staggered when I saw there would be no use made of the old building, and when I took the pains to look over the structure that was proposed, it seemed to me to be too ornate and expensive, it would not blush to stand beside our State Capitol. I know this will go through for if Andover people desire anything, the man who protests is apt to be misinterpreted. I wish, gentlemen, I could persuade you that a building costing \$70,000 would be adequate for this, but if I can't do this I move that today we vote the sum of \$100,000 for the new schoolhouse. Now I ask you to remember what you are doing. You are not spending \$100,000, but you are asked to pay \$140,000 for this structure, because with the interest it will require \$7000 a year for 20 years and \$7000 x 20 makes \$140,000. In addition to that we are voting to increase expenses in that in-

stitution; you cannot build a building like that without raising the janitor's pay, etc. Do you think it is because I am simply looking at my own little pocket-book. So, gentlemen, I am in favor of this. I have been in this town as a voter for seven years now, and I have noticed a large amount of effort as to how we can spend our town money. I have yet to find anybody in Andover making one single effort in order to increase the earning capacity of the town. I wish along with the expenses we could get into the town some new industries which would pay for these increasing demands. I said to one of this committee last year I wished we could have a factory, some new industry in this town, and he said we don't want a factory in Andover. What we want is for Lawrence to have the factory and we get the cream by having the men who get the large salaries live over here. We have no use for the jumper and the overalls in Andover; why, gentlemen, they lie at the very basis of all the expenditures we plan."

The sum of \$100,000 was voted for a new high school building.

It was also voted to approve the method proposed for raising the money and also the appointment of the committee.

Article 11 taken up.

Article 11.—To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to extend the street lighting system on Prospect Hill Road, on petition of George M. Cheever and others.

Referred to Lighting Committee.

Article 12 taken up.

Article 12.—To see if the town will vote to change the light now at the foot of Hancock Road and Main Street to pole on opposite side of Hancock Road, also place a new light opposite pumping station on Hancock Road, on petition of Fred E. Cheever and others.

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Article 15.—To fix the pay of the firemen for the ensuing year.

The sum of \$75.00 per year voted.

Article 16 taken up.

Article 16.—To determine the method of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year.

Six per cent per annum on all taxes after November 1, and that the compensation of the tax collector be 1 per cent. Voted.

Article 17.

Article 17.—To authorize the Town Treasurer to hire money for the use of the town in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year, with the approval of the Selectmen.

Voted.

Article 18 taken up.

Article 18.—To determine what disposition shall be made of unexpended appropriations.

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Article 19.

Article 19.—To act upon the report of the Town Officers.

Accepted. Voted.

Article 20 taken up.

Article 20.—To determine the amount of money to be raised by taxation the ensuing year.

Mr. Eames: "I move that the sum of \$117,000, together with sufficient amounts to cover the State and County taxes be raised by taxation." Voted.

Article 21 taken up.

Article 21.—To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Moderator as instructed appointed a committee of five to be known as the High School Committee; Burton S. Flagg, Henry A. Bodwell, John Alden, Harry M. Eames, and E. V. French.

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BALLARDVALE

UNION CONGREGATIONAL

10:30 Morning Worship, followed by communion and admission of candidates. Sunday School to follow.
6:30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E.
7:30 Thursday. Prayer Meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL

10:30. Morning worship. Sermon, "The Counsel of the Wicked."
11:40. Sunday School.
3:00. Junior League.
6:15. Epworth League. Subject, "The Urgency of a Great Task." Leader, Louise Coates.
7:00. Evening worship. Sermon, "Beyond Shadows."
Thursday evening. Prayer meeting.
Friday evening. Epworth League monthly business meeting and social.

A son was born Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Russell, Center street.

The Congregational Ladies' Aid Society will meet next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Holmes E. Bates, Marland road.

Miss Louise Coates will lead the Epworth League meeting at the Methodist church, Sunday evening at 6:15 o'clock. Everybody is welcome.

Ralph L. Greenwood and Miss Marguerite Stevens of Dover, N. H., were married on Tuesday evening by Rev. Augustus H. Fuller, at the Congregational parsonage.

The rehearsals for the local minstrel show to be given in Bradley hall Friday evening, March 17, are being rapidly pushed along and it promises to be one of the best minstrel shows ever presented by local talent.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregational church are making arrangements for a St. Patrick's Social to be held in the vestry Wednesday evening, March 15. All members of the congregation over twelve years of age are cordially invited. A good time is promised to all who may attend.

Concert by Columbia Orchestra

Those who braved the storm Wednesday evening heard one of the finest concerts of the year's course, given in Bradley hall by the Columbia orchestra, assisted by J. Hugh Franklin, entertainer. The program follows:

Overture, "Norma" *Edini*
Popular Songs, "Bits of Remick's Hits" *Lampi*
Original Stories

J. Hugh Franklin
Southern Episode, "By the Suwannee River" *Piccola Solo*

Selected Stories *Mr. Judson*

String Orchestra. *Mr. Franklin*
a. "Evening Breeze"
b. "A Petite Pas"

Selection, "The Blue Paradise"
Character Creations.

Mr. Franklin
Descriptive Fantasia, "A Day at West Point"

Lingering Melodies, "In the Lighthouse" *Bendix Smith*

The playing of the orchestra was exceptionally good and the readings and impersonations of Mr. Franklin were received with rounds of applause. The concert was a fitting close to one of the best courses of entertainments ever furnished for the village.

First Bridge Fiend. I once knew a man who had thirteen trumps and never took a trick.

Second Bridge Fiend. How so?
First Bridge Fiend. His partner led an ace, he trumped; and then his partner threw him out of the window.

PUNCHARD ALUMNI REUNION

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considerable length followed on the subject, and many excellent ideas to awaken the interest of the association were advanced.

A nominating committee to bring in a list of officers for the coming year was elected as follows: John V. Holt, William A. Trow, Miss Madeline Hewes and Miss Ella Holt.

J. Everett Collins was elected captain of the alumni baseball team for the annual contest with the high school team on Patriot's day.

It was then moved and voted that the annual reception be tendered to the members of the senior class in June, according to the usual custom, and an appropriation sufficient to cover the expenses was made.

It was then moved that three members of the Alumni association be elected to serve as members of an advisory athletic council to serve with two members of the high school faculty and two members of the board of trustees. Myron E. Guttererson, Walter H. Thompson and Philip L. Hardy were elected to represent the association on the council.

A general discussion was then held and various plans discussed for the purpose of awakening interest in the association and the securing of sufficient new members to allow the association to carry along its work. It was suggested that a secretary be appointed in each class to round up all the surviving members and request them to enroll as members of the association. A roll call of classes from 1862 up through 1916 was then called by the president and the members of each class responded in turn. Volunteers were asked from each of the classes represented to take up the work of securing new members for the association and many present offered their services along this line. It was then voted that the executive committee endeavor to secure a member of each class not represented to take up this work and secure as many new members as possible.

A motion was then made by Charles H. Eames, principal of the Lowell Textile school, that it be declared the sense of the association that the new high school should be known as the Punchard high school and that the executive committee be instructed to recommend the same to the school board. This motion was seconded and was carried unanimously.

The report of the nominating committee was then read by John V. Holt and as a result the following officers were elected to serve during the coming year: President, Philip L. Hardy; first vice-president, Harry Sellars; second vice-president, Edward E. Hammond; third vice-president, Myron E. Guttererson; secretary, Miss Bessie E. Goldsmith; treasurer, Frederick E. Cheever; executive committee, Mrs. H. F. Chase, Miss Katherine Hannon and Miss Madeline Hewes.

The meeting was then adjourned. An enjoyable entertainment program consisting of vocal solos, reading, etc., was rendered by the following artists: J. Everett Collins, baritone; Miss Cynthia Flint, contralto; Arthur Bassett, tenor.

Miss Mabel Marshall dressed in costume and a little "colored gal" rendered several vocal solos, as well as entertaining with a reading and several humorous stories. B. Frank Michelson was accompanist for Messrs. Collins and Bassett and Miss Marshall and Miss Grace Jenkins accompanied Miss Flint.

Perley F. Gilbert gave several selected recitations which added greatly to the entertainment program. All were heartily applauded for their excellent numbers. Dancing was then enjoyed from 10 to 12 o'clock, music for the same being furnished by the Adelphi orchestra.

The reunion, although the number of alumni present was small, was one of the most interesting and successful in the history of the association.

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STATE AND NATION

HOUSE SUSTAINS PRESIDENT

Washington, March 8.—President Wilson completely and decisively won his long and sensational fight to compel congress to acknowledge that it stands behind him in the submarine negotiations with Germany.

The celebrated McLeMORE resolution, around which the anti-administration forces centered their fight, was tabled, in other words, killed, just as was the Gore resolution for a similar purpose in the senate last week.

After a day of fiery debate and scenes of tense excitement such as have not been witnessed since the days of the Spanish war, the house last night completely capitulated to President Wilson and upheld his policy as regards submarine warfare and the right of Americans to travel on armed ships.

The motion to kill off the McLeMORE resolution by tabling it was carried by a vote of 276 to 162.

In two test votes on parliamentary phases of the situation earlier in the day, the victory of the administration forces was clearly foreshadowed.

On a motion to shut off debate and prevent amendment of a special rule to permit the discussion of the McLeMORE resolution, the president's followers won by a vote of 266 to 160.

A few minutes later, on the question of adopting the special rule, the administration men won by a vote of 271 to 138.

This vote brought the resolution squarely before the house for debate, and by the terms of the rule the discussion was to be limited to four hours, the time being equally divided among the friends and opponents of the president's policy.

The debate on all the phases of the warning resolution lasted about seven hours. Impassioned speeches on both sides of the question aroused the house at times, and now and then the applause swept the crowded galleries.

GERMANS IN NORTH SEA

Dutch Trawler Reports Having Seen Fifty of Kaiser's Warships

London, March 9.—The report that a German fleet of twenty warships has sailed from the Kiel canal and is now in the North sea is unquestionably accurate, a high naval authority stated. Britain now believes a big naval battle is impending.

While the number of vessels comprising the fleet is given here as twenty, reports from Holland indicate that it is much larger. A Dutch trawler reported having seen at least fifty war vessels trailed by a large fleet of trawlers, ostensibly for mine laying purposes. According to the crew of the Dutch boat, the huge German fleet was headed westward.

AWARDED \$6110 VERDICT

Man Who Lost Money on Race Recovers From Hotel Corporation

Boston, March 7.—Robert H. Kemp of Brockton was awarded a verdict of \$6110.40 against the Hammond Hotel corporation. Kemp sued to recover \$5360 which he claimed he lost by betting on horses at the Hotel Essex in rooms on the ninth floor.

After announcing his verdict the foreman of the panel was asked by Judge Sanderson if the jurors found that gaming was going on at the Hotel Essex with the knowledge of the defendant and the foreman answered in the affirmative.

Gas Kills Basketball Players

Webster, Mass., March 6.—Russell Foster and Clarence Stanley, members of the Oxford basketball team which played here Saturday night, were found dead in bed at the City hotel with gas escaping from a slightly opened jet. Deaths were accidental.

Elected to Five Offices

Boston, March 7.—Joseph D. Gowing was the choice of the voters of North Redding for five offices in the annual town election. He was made a member of the board of selectmen, town treasurer, an assessor, an overseer of the poor and town collector.

Kaiser Decorates Moewe's Commander
London, March 9.—Emperor Wilhelm received the commander of the German commerce raider Moewe and personally presented him with the Order Pour Le Merite, according to a dispatch from Amsterdam.

Farm Bill Carries \$24,451,000
Washington, March 6.—The house agricultural committee reported the agricultural appropriation bill for passage. The bill carries \$24,451,000, as against \$22,971,000 last year.

Priest Killed in Auto Accident
Medford, Mass., March 5.—Rev. Joseph Lyons, 49, of St. Raphael's Roman Catholic church in this city, was instantly killed while driving his automobile in Winchester, when the car skidded, crashed through a fence and dropped over a stone embankment to a brook. Lyons' skull was fractured.

WEALTHY MEN CLOSELY GUARDED

New York, March 9.—Threats of would-be assassins and bomb plotters have terrorized New York's million and billionaires. These financial leaders are spending thousands of dollars a day to protect their lives, their wives and children and their property.

With tension steadily increasing since the outbreak of the war, extraordinary precaution was deemed necessary when the attack upon J. P. Morgan was followed during the past few months by numerous munition plant fires.

Lower New York, particularly Wall street, is honeycombed with high-priced "shadows," both men and women, fully armed, who dog the footsteps of financial leaders day and night.

Not only is every move of these men and their families closely guarded constantly, but residences, skyscrapers in the financial district, and the winter and country homes of the wealthy fashionables are armored with bomb proof nets upon the roofs.

ELECTIONS IN MAINE

Seven Mayors and Eight City Governments Are Republican

Portland, Me., March 7.—Republicans elected their candidates for mayoralty honors in seven and for city officials in eight of the ten Maine cities in which elections were held yesterday, a net gain of two city governments over last year. The mayors elected and complexion of the municipal governments are as follows:

City	Govt.
Auburn, H. R. Porter, R	R
Bath, J. A. Small, D	R
Eastport, F. T. Eldridge, R	R
Ellsworth, A. C. Hagerthy, R	R
Hallowell, J. M. Robinson, R	R
Lewiston, L. J. Brann, D	D
Rockland, F. C. Flint, D	D
Saco, J. H. Fenderson, R	R
So. Portland, C. E. West, R	R
Waterville, F. E. Boothby, R	R

KEARNS A SUICIDE

Body of Ex-Mayor of Waltham Is Recovered From River

Boston, March 9.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of ex-Mayor Thomas F. Kearns of Waltham, who left that city Dec. 31, 1915, was cleared up with the finding of his body wedged between two rocks in the Charles river at Watertown.

He had evidently committed suicide by leaping into the river, higher up stream, during a temporary derangement caused by sickness.

Kearns disappeared four days before his term as mayor of Waltham expired. When last seen he was suffering from a severe grip attack, having a fever of 103 degrees and being practically insane from this.

UNHAPPY END OF "SLIVERS"

Clown Who Had Made Millions Laugh Takes Own Life With Gas

New York, March 9.—Frank Oakley, who, as "Slivers," a circus clown, made millions of people laugh throughout the country, was found dead, a suicide, from asphyxiating gas in a theatrical boarding house here.

"Slivers," who was 45 years of age, came by his nickname through his height and slenderness. His cleverness as a contortionist earned him a circus job at the age of 14 and for years he traveled with Barnum's circus. Later he appeared in vaudeville.

It is believed that despondency, a result of his decline in popularity as a show man, caused the deed.

Sea Captain Dies at His Post

Boston, March 9.—After battling for five days with storms which finally left his vessel almost helpless, Captain Charles W. Pleckhorn of the British freighter Clearway navigated the steamer safely to the entrance of Massachusetts bay, then fell at his post on the bridge, stricken with apoplexy, and died.

Wreck of Naval Airship

Mobile, Ala., March 8.—One of the naval hydroaeroplanes at the Mardi Gras here was hurled against the mast of a schooner and demolished. The pilot escaped without injury.

Another Train Wreck Victim

New Haven, March 9.—The death toll in the wreck of two passenger trains at Milford on Feb. 22 was increased to eleven last night, when Frank McNamara, 19, died in a local hospital.

Soldiers Perish in Barracks Fire

Seattle, March 9.—Four soldiers of the Fourteenth United States infantry were burned to death in a fire that destroyed the barracks at Fort Gibson, Alaska.

Freak Storm at Boston

Boston, March 9.—Thunder and lightning in the midst of a heavy snowfall was one of the freaks of a storm which swept Boston yesterday.

PREPAREDNESS IN ANDOVER

It is good business to look after your needs in footwear immediately in the face of rising prices.

We are selling odd lots and remains of discontinued lines at ridiculously low prices. Odd sizes of button and laces. Boots formerly sold at \$3.50 to \$4.00 are now being sacrificed at \$1.49 to \$2.25. Preparedness is our Slogan and we are endeavoring to prepare our stock for Spring and low prices must do it. See our display of exact sizes and prices in our window. Your size may be there and the price is everybodys price.

The Family Shoe Store

FRENCH HOLD OFF GERMANS

London, March 9.—After yesterday's uninterrupted heavy fighting, the Germans remained in control of about seven square miles of territory wrested from the French in the furious combat raging about Verdun. French prisoners captured on the Verdun-Woevre battle front number about 3300.

Reports from French sources indicate that the German casualty rates are decreasing, and that more careful artillery preparation is being made before infantry assaults are ordered. The artillery duel must be one of fearful intensity, for both sides have massed numbers of cannon previously unheard of for such a combat.

The villages of Forges and Regneville, the heights of Faben and the Cumieres woods fell into the hands of the Germans. The French did not give up these positions without strong resistance and suffered heavy casualties, especially along the southern fringe of the Cumieres wood.

In the Corbeaux wood, which was occupied recently by the Germans, the French launched a heavy counter-attack and drove the Germans out of the greater part of the position. A German attack with heavy effectives against the French Bethincourt lines was repulsed.

East of the Meuse the Germans have recaptured the Hardaumont redoubt, over which there has been such heavy fighting, and in a line-straightening maneuver have made progress on front of about five miles along the southern slope of the Cote de Talon and the Cote du Polvre and in the Douaumont region.

In the Woevre district southeast of Verdun the Germans have forced the French to lose their hold on outlying positions they held in the village of Fresnes.

Russian warships are particularly active in the Black sea, bombarding the coast towns, and the continued progress of the Russian forces is evidenced by the capture of the town of Riza, which lies about thirty-five miles east of Trebizond, one of the important objectives of the Russian army. In Persia, also, the Russians are forcing their advance at a lively pace.

Artillery activity is increasing along the Dniester river and the Bessarabian frontier, probably presaging the reopening of a progressive campaign.

ELUDES BRITISH FLEET

German Sea Raider Moewe Safely Arrives at Her Home Port

Berlin, March 6.—Successfully dodging British cruisers and destroyers for thousands of miles, and finally nosing her way through the very thick of the British North sea fleet, the noted German raider Moewe, captor of the Appam and a long list of other vessels, arrived safely at Wilhelmshafen, the great German naval base on the North sea.

Her career as a commerce destroyer has been one of the most romantic in sea history, and her cruise forms one of the most fascinating exploits of the war thus far.

Official announcement of her arrival was made in a statement by the naval general staff, which declared she had on board 199 prisoners and gold bars aggregating in value about \$200,000.

At several points on enemy shores the Moewe also laid out mines to which, among others, the battleship King Edward VII. fell victim.

Twenty Million in Tuition Fees

New York, March 9.—Frank A. Dickey, registrar of Columbia university, commenting on the recent increase in tuition fees throughout the colleges and universities of the country, said that more than \$20,000,000 was spent annually by the United States for this purpose.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

—STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, MARCH 9, 1916.
The Committee on Mercantile Affairs will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (H. 149) that Andover Home for Aged People may hold more property, at room No. 436, State House, on Tuesday, March 14, at 10:30 o'clock a.m.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

BOSTON, FEB. 17, 1916
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That, on the sixteenth day of February, in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, Alfred M. Colby of Andover was duly licensed to be a Public Warehouseman within and for the town of Andover and that he has given Bond as required by Law for the faithful discharge of the duties of a Public Warehouseman.

ALBERT P. LANGTRY
Secretary of the Commonwealth

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Sarah Nelson Carter late of Andover, in said County, deceased.
WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by Burton S. Flagg who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the twentieth day of March A.D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman a newspaper published in Andover the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said court this twenty-eighth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

HORACE H. ATHERTON, JR., Register

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Rebecca L. White late of Andover, in said County, deceased.
WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by James E. Kelley who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond:

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